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CARTER—In ever-loving memory of Lieutenant Desmond Patrick Webb Carter, Royal Engineers, who died in a Casualty Clearing Station in France on 12th December, 1916, the beloved fifth son of Major-General Sir John and Lady Carter. "God's brave young knight."

HOBART—In dearest memory of our brother, Fred. A. Hobart, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, killed in action in France December 12th, 1916.

KELLY—In honoured memory of Thomas Victor (Tom) and Richard George (Dick), who paid the supreme sacrifice 1915-1917. "And they shall speak of the glory of Thy Kingdom."

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KENDALL—In loving memory of Cecil Arthur, 7th (S.I.H.) Royal Irish Regiment, killed, St. Emily, France, 12th December, 1917.

McCARTHY—In ever-loving memory of our second son, Frederick McCarthy, S.I.H., killed in France December 12th, 1917.

STUART—In loving memory of Thomas C. Stuart, Second Lieutenant, R.A. Force (formerly of Bank of Ireland, Tipperary), only son of Samuel and Annie Stuart, Beechgrove, Arklow, who died at Redbarns Military Hospital, Yorkshire, December 12th, 1918.

MARRIAGES.

COX and LYON—December 3, 1924, at All Saints' Church, Grangegorman, by the Rev. E. H. F. Campbell, Vicar of the Parish, Robert Lloyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cox, of Castlepollard, County Westmeath, to Annie Margaret, daughter of the late James Lyon, of Aberdeen, and Mrs. Lyon, 13 Ellesmere avenue, N.C. road, Dublin.

ORPEN and PARSONS—December 9, 1924, at the Chapel Royal, Savoy, London, by the Reverend Hugh Boswell Chapman, B.A., Chaplain, Raymond William Orpen, Medical Officer of Health, Nigeria, only surviving son of the late Richard H. M. Orpen, of Ardtully, Kenmare, County Kerry, Ireland, to Maude Cicily, youngest daughter of the late John Parsons, of Bristol, and Mrs. Parsons, of Chase Hill, Enfield.

SMITH and POLLEY—November 9, 1924, at St. Stephen's Church, New Jersey, U.S.A., by Rev. Dr. Wasson, Charles Smith, Sligo, to Annie Elizabeth Polley, Dublin.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BENTLEY—December 11, 1924, Richard Bentley, dearly-beloved and loving husband of Helena Bentley. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing wife and children. Funeral from the Adelaide Hospital 10.30 to-morrow (Saturday) to Mount Jerome.
"Here we suffer grief and pain,
In Heaven we part no more."

BOYD—December 11, 1924, at his residence, Oakdene, Annadale avenue, Belfast, Robert Boyd, aged 85 years. Funeral private.

DÍSCÍN—Ar an 11adh. Mí na Nodlag, 1924, ag 49 Bóthar Aille i nDún Laoghaire, d'éag Máire ní Liatháin, baintreabhach Labhráis Uí Díscín. Go ndéanaidh Dia trócaire ar a h-anam! Béidh an tórramh príobháideach.

DIXON—December 11, 1924, at 49 Albert road, Dun Laoghaire, Mary, relict of the late Laurence Dixon. R.I.P. Funeral private.

DUNNE—December 7, 1924, at her residence, Aghavoe House, Leix, Annie Dympne, daughter of the late Jeremiah Dunne, J.P. R.I.P.

HAMILTON—December 10, 1924, at his residence, Donore avenue, Richard H. Hamilton. Funeral this (Friday) morning 9 o'clock for Mount Jerome.

JOHNS—December 9, 1924, at 12 Belmont avenue, Donnybrook, Dublin, Harriette Margery Johns, elder daughter of the late Robert Johns, M.D., T.C.D. Requiescat in pace. Interred at Old Whitechurch. No flowers, by request.

KELLY—November 23, 1924, at Hounslow, London, Julia Abbott, widow of the late J. R. Kelly, and third daughter of the late George Abbott, D.I., R.I.C. "With Christ, which is far better."

POWER—At Carmel, Priest road, Tramore, Mrs. Letitia Power, Hotel Metropole, Waterford, aged 58 years. No flowers.

REILLY—December 11, 1924, at St. Michael's Hospital, Dun Laoghaire, Maria (Cissie), of 2 Summerville Park, Upper Rathmines. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral private. No flowers, prayers instead.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mrs. E. H. Brambell returns sincere thanks to all kind friends who sympathised with her in her recent bereavement, and trusts they will accept this notice as grateful acknowledgment.

Mr. and Mrs. Byrne, North Wall, Dublin, desire to return sincere thanks to all kind friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, and trust this will be accepted in grateful acknowledgment.

Mrs. Newcombe and family beg to offer their sincere thanks to all kind friends who sent messages of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement, and ask them to accept this acknowledgment, as it would be impossible to reply to each individually.

IN MEMORIAM.

CORRY—First Anniversary—Mrs. Maria Corry, 12th December, and her sister, Miss Elizabeth O'Leary, 8th December, 1923, who died at their residence, 14 Princes avenue, London, N. R.I.P. Deeply mourned by her son and daughters. Masses at St. Joseph's, Berkeley road, this day for the repose of their souls. Inserted by her son.

DALY—In loving memory of Thomas William Daly (late Agent, Farnham Estate Office), who passed away December 12th, 1923, at his residence, Swellan, Cavan.
When the weary ones we love
Enter on their rest above,
Seems the earth so poor and vast,
All our life joy overcast?
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It is only till He come.

EBBS—In loving memory of our eldest son, William Taylor Ebbs, who passed away on December 12, 1921. "Thy will be done."

GILTRAP—In ever-loving memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Mary Giltrap (née Jackson), who departed this life at her residence, 12 Charleville road, North Circular road, December 12th, 1920. Deeply mourned and missed. "Oh, rest in the Lord."

KELLY—In sad and loving memory of my dear mother, who entered into life everlasting on the 12th December, 1920. "If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him."—"Lillie."

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GENTLEMAN'S Gold Watch, on strap, with Luminous Dial, Lost Thursday or Friday; keepsake; reward. D 1009, this office. 9 F

LOST, Red and White Cow, brand J. B. right hip, going to market, Wednesday, 3rd. Owner, John Bates, Ashbourne. 8 E

LOST on Monday evening, between Elgin road and Rathfarnham, pair Fur and Leather Gauntlet Gloves; reward. Apply 21 Elgin road. 10 E

LEFT, Sunday, in Haddington road Church, Brown Suede Bag. Reward 55 Upper Leeson street.

LOST, Black Cocker Dog, answers name "Larkie." Reward 3 North George's street, Dublin.

LOST, Diamond Maltese Cross Brooch, between Pembroke road and Holles street, at 7.30 p.m., Tuesday. Reward at 31 Merrion square.

LEFT in Terenure tram, Tuesday, about 1 p.m., Pair Spectacles (in case); convex, bi-purpose, rimless glasses; reward given.—Hollwey, 7 Rogerson's quay.

LOST, Purse, crocodile leather, December 4th, Grafton street to Stephen's Green, notes and silver, medals, key, name on flap; reward.—D 1161, this office.

LOST, Black Retriever Dog, November; police notified; reward.—D 1195, this office.

STRAYED from Elgin road, Sunday, 7th inst., Rough Haired Irish Terrier, 10 months old, name "Pip." Reward if brought to 10 Elgin road. Police notified. 8 E

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ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR INCURABLES, DONNYBROOK.
The Managing Committee invite application for the vacant post of REGISTRAR and SECRETARY. Candidate must be an educated gentleman, good accountant, and prepared to devote his entire time to his duties, particulars of which may be had at the Hospital. Age not exceeding 45 years. Salary £350 per annum. Security will be required. Apply, in own handwriting, stating qualifications, enclosing copies of testimonials, to the Chairman of the Hospital by the 17th inst. No canvassing allowed.

ABANDON Unemployment—Intensive Training, Wireless, Electrical, Cable, Postal Telegraphy; new session 12th January; prospectus 6d.—Atlantic College, 45.47 Henry street, Dublin. 8 6

ALL Irish Judges—Photographs in the Calendar Supplement given free with the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. F

ASSISTANT (Sales) required for Toy Department; must be fully experienced. Apply, before 1 o'clock, World's Fair Stores, 27 South Great George's street, Dublin.

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CONFECTIONER Wanted. Apply, stating experience, age, wages, etc., S. O. Cope, Castledermot. 9 E

CARETAKER, Billiard Marker Wanted, Wicklow Y.M.C.A.; free house, coal, light; no wages.—Wilkinson, Bridge street. 11 B

CO. Sligo Golf Club requires the Services of a Professional; permanent employment. Apply by letter, stating terms, with copies of testimonials, to the Secretary, Golf Club, Rosses Point, Sligo.

DRESSES—Wanted, for important Northern town, smart, experienced Saleswoman (Protestant), accustomed keen, pushing trade; state salary indoor, copies references. Address "Z 4952, Dresses," this office. 11 B

FEMALE Clerk Wanted; laundry experience essential. Reply, copies references, salary, etc., D 1001, this office. 8 E

GROCERY and Provisions, Co. Wicklow—Wanted, smart Assistant, with thorough knowledge of above. Address "Z 4911, Assistant," this office. 10 A

LADIES' Hosiery Dept.—Wanted, Charge Hand, indoor, seven or eight years' experience, good Midland town. Address, with copies of references, "Z 4847, Charge Hand," this office. 9 F

LIVE Agents Wanted for House Purchase Scheme, with easy repayments; liberal commission.—D 1017, this office. 9 F

MOTHER'S Help (Protestant) required January 1st, assist with young children; maid kept; copy reference and salary. Address "Z 4882, Help," this office. 9 F

MILLINERY, Mantles—Wanted, leading Northern provincial town, Charge; buyer, expert stylish trimmer; highest testimonials; experience English markets; salary (indoor), religion, enclose copies references. Address "Z 4951, Millinery," this office. 11 B

NOTED Irishmen—Names of Prize-winners in this Competition are published to-day in the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." F

SEED Trade—Dublin Firm requires the services of experienced Seedsman, with good all round knowledge garden and farm seeds, competent to conduct correspondence; applicants enclose copies of testimonials, etc.—D 1041, this office. 9 F

START a Business in Drapery, etc., from £1 upwards. Special attention to widows and beginners. Sure living. Write for advice and list. H. Levaine (Dept. C), 143 Houndsditch, London, E. 1.

SMART Man required to call on Dublin Business Establishments with a new and special line. Must know the city well, be of good address, and have business training. Need not have travelled previously. Suit ex-clerk. State fully last position held, age (not under 30), and if disengaged.—D 1184, this office.

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WANTED, Charge Hand for Grocery and Provisions for Co. Cavan; must understand his business thoroughly (Protestant preferred); state salary expected, indoor, and enclose copies of references. Address "Z 4875, Charge Hand," this office. 8 9

WANTED, young Foreman for Building; state age, salary, experience, qualification.—D 1186, this office.

WANTED, for Killiney, a cheerful young Mother's Help (Protestant), to take partial charge of two small children, and help generally with light housework; send copies references, and state salary.—D 1158, this office.

WANTED, two Junior Ledger Clerks; state age, experience, salary expected, and enclose copies of references.—D 1138, this office. 11 B

WANTED, Cellarman, thoroughly competent, with good experience of wines, spirits, etc.; must be well recommended.—D 1202, this office. 11 F

WANTED, South Wales, Mother's Help, age 35-45; country; send particulars, age, salary. Address "Z 4953, Help," this office. 11 F

WANTED, a Lady Superintendent (Protestant) for the Homes for the Blind, Cliftonville, Belfast. Apply by letter, enclosing copies of testimonials, to the Secretary. 11 F

MONEY, PARTNERSHIPS, ETC.

A LOAN from £10 upwards can be had; reasonable interest, long terms; Dublin only.—D 409, this office. 78 18

AN immediate Loan of £3,000 required on security of estates, one hour from Dublin (bank interest). Address "Z 4893, Loan," this office. 10 E

ASSURANCE Book for Sale, leading Friendly Society; price £240, or nearest offer.—D 1163, this office. 11 F

ADVANCES on War Loans, Stocks, Shares; Pension Vouchers cashed.—A. Elkinson, 48 Aungier street. 26 11

CASH Advanced on Endowment Policies, Stocks, Shares, Pension Vouchers, Property, War Loan; strictly confidential.—D 1042, this office. 12 9

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EX-MILITARY and R.I.C. Pension Vouchers Cashed without delay at 32 South Frederick street, Dublin. 12 29

LOANS—The Commercial Union Loan and Discount Co., Ltd., 57 Middle Abbey street, Dublin, grant Loans. Apply to Manager. 26 25

LOANS, £5 to £1,000, Lent on House Property, Insurance Policies, Deeds, Land; private.—D 879, this office. 6 D

LOAN £300 required for one year; state terms. Address "Z 4864, Loan," this office. 9 F

MANAGING Director (commercial experience), also Assistant Engineer, Wanted, each with £500.—D 1185, this office. 11 B

PRACTICAL Engineer, late R.N., forming small Company, desires capital to exploit quarry. Retired officers or others interested, apply for particulars, D 1173, this office. 11 B

WANTED, Security for Carrying arrangement with Creditors; state interest; Accountant.—D 1100, this office. 10 F

£5 TO £500 Advanced privately on approved personal security of borrower at an extremely low rate of interest; loan can be repaid by small instalments to suit. Call or write for particulars. S. Freeman and Co., 1 Garfield street, Belfast. 26 2

£4,000 WANTED, at 7 p.c., security valuable County Dublin farm. Reply D 1136, this office. 10 E

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS. OFFICIALS, SERVANTS, ETC.

POSITIONS VACANT.

HOUSE Chambermaid, also General required city hotel. Apply, stating fully experience and references, D 1203, this office. 11 F

WANTED immediately, Assistant Chef. Apply with references, Victoria Hotel, Cork. 10 F

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

FIRST Cook, good all round London experience, restaurant or hotel; 30/- weekly.—D 1105, this office.

SMART young Man, 21, wants work in hotel as Porter, or anything whatever; excellent references. Please write, Joseph B. Kenny, 43 Darley street, Leeds.

WAITRESS seeks place, or Parlourmaid; Liverpool preferred; good references.—D 1091, this office. 10 E

WAITER seeks engagement, hotel or club; experienced.—D 1115, this office. 10 A

YOUNG Girl desires training as Waitress, restaurant, tea rooms.—D 1099, this office. 10 A

YOUNG Lady, training in a London hotel, desires post Assistant Housekeeper in good Hotel; highest references.—Box O 751, Irish Times Branch Office, 59 Fleet street, London, E.C. 4. 10 E

REPRESENTATIVES WANTED.

CORKS—Gentlemen connected with Beer Bottlers to Sell Corks on commission. Address "Z 4899, Traveller," this office. 10 A

CONTINENTAL Firm of high class Colour Printers, labels, cartons, show cards, etc., require Agent; commission basis.—R O 1416, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

FLOUR Traveller, with good connection in Midland and Western Counties, required to represent large Mill producing finest grades of Bakers' and Shop Flours. Applicants must produce highest references, and should state age, terms, and ground covered.—D 948, this office. 11 F

JUNIOR Traveller Wanted to Sell well known Proprietary Article. Reply, stating past experience and salary required, D 1149, this office. 11 F

MAKERS of "Supreme" L.F. Transformers require live Agent for Ireland; high commission paid. Write Summit Manufacturing Co., 8 Finsbury square, London, E.C.2.

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POSITION falls vacant for representation throughout Ireland for large Manufacturers of Boots, Shoes, Leggings, and Gaiters; commission basis. Address "Z 4903, Representative," this office. 10 F

REPRESENTATIVE Wanted, with well established connection in the South of Ireland, by city Firm for Readymades, Woollens, and Trimmings; liberal salary and commission to smart energetic man; only those presently on the road need apply.—D 1191, this office. 11 B

TRAVELLER Wanted for South and West Ireland, with connection tobacconists, to carry line of Pipes; on commission.—D 976, this office. 8 E

TRAVELLER Wanted for a Dublin Wholesale Drapery House; the whole of the South and Western journey, with list of accounts, would be handed over to the right man. Apply, with references and full particulars to D 1066, this office. 9 F

THE Island Spinning Co., Limited, Lisburn, require a first class Traveller for the Sale of their Linen Thread and Shoe Thread in the Irish Free State. Apply by letter only. 10 A

WANTED by cross-Channel Manufacturer, Agent to call on leading city and country Drapers with Ladies' Mantles and Costumes; sound connection essential. Write A 9, "Sentinel" Office, Hanley, Staffordshire. 10 F

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS.

DUBLIN Agent Wanted by country Solicitor. State terms to "Z 4907, Agent," this office. 10 F

EXPERIENCED General Clerk (North) wishes to hear of Change, preferably South. Address "Z 4906, Clerk," this office. 10 A

TO Solicitors and Land Agents—M. J. Fitzpatrick, Surveyor, Rathdowney, Leix, promptly prepares Maps, etc., of Estates under Land Act. 9 F

WANTED, Law Clerk, with good knowledge of County Court and conveyancing. State age and send references, Louis C. P. Smith and Co., Solicitors, Cavan. 9 E

WANTED, young Solicitor as Assistant for Midland county town; state age and salary expected. Address "Z 4932, Solicitor," this office. A

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

ASSISTANT, eight years' experience, desires position City Pharmacy, whole or part time.—D 974, this office. 8 E

BRANCH Dental Practice for disposal in Midlands, established over twenty years; excellent opportunity for energetic man; moderate terms.—D 1196, this office. 11 B

CHEMIST'S Assistant, unqualified, wishes whole or part time position in Dublin; first class experience, all branches; immediate.—D 906, this office. 8 E

DENTAL Mechanic—First class gold, vulcanite worker, seeks employment; moderate wages.—D 1189, this office.

DENTAL Surgeon, L.D.S., desires Assistantship; experience in private practice; reasonable salary; excellent testimonials.—D 1179, this office. 11 B

MATERNITY Nurse, C.M.B. Certificate, 14 years' experience, strong and healthy, wishes permanent post, lady or gentleman; good references. Address "Z 4858, Nurse," this office. 9 F

PHARMACEUTICAL Chemist desires Locum duty; excellent references; Dublin or district preferred. Address "Z 4936, Chemist," this office. 11 B

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VERY respectable Farmer's Daughter, Protestant, attend invalid, certificated, V.A.D. Nurse, Companion Help.—Mary A. Masterson, Rose Hill, Carysfort avenue, Blackrock. 11 B

WELL educated young Man seeks Apprenticeship in city Pharmacy.—D 1007, this office. 9 F

YOUNG, experienced unqualified Chemist's Assistant seeks position; near Dublin preferable, not essential; at present engaged; free immediately after Xmas; Protestant. Address "Z 4956, Assistant," this office.

TUITIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

ALL Professional and University Prelims, Oral and Correspondence. Success lists free.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, Sackville street, Dublin. T

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BOARD and Education offered two boys, over nine, Protestant, Pembroke; references.—D 1040, this office. 9 F

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DEFECTS of Speech—Stammering, Stuttering, Nasality, Indistinctness of Utterance, Lalation, Lisping, Rotacism, Loss of Voice speedily cured by Professor Burke, B.A., T.C.D., 192 Pearse street (formerly named Great Brunswick street), Dublin. 9 A

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EXPERIENCED Teacher wishes re-engagement, January, Governess, parochial school; Church music; highest references; Protestant. Address "Z 4877, Teacher," this office. 9 F

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SHORTHAND, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, etc.—Metropolitan College (Gillespie's), 100 Lower Mount street. 'Phone, 3055. T

YOUNG French Lady, experienced teacher, beginning, French Lessons, private tuition; terms moderate.—D 950, this office. 8 E

GOVERNESSES AND TUTORS WANTED.

AGENT FOR GOVERNESSES AND SCHOOLS. Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton st., Dublin. Advises Parents and Managers. Tel. No. 5258. T

GOVERNESS (Protestant), teach three children, eldest 11 years, country, 1½ miles from town (South). Address, stating age and salary expected to "Z 4916, Governess," this office. 11 B

PRINCIPAL Male Teacher (I.C.) Wanted for Robertson N.S.; 56 on roll. Apply Homan, Rectory, Raphoe. 10 F

WANTED immediately, in city, Nursery Governess, children 3 and 5 years. Address "Z 4872, Governess," this office. 9 F

WANTED, N.S. Teacher, I.C.; 18-20 average; tourist centre; nice apartments. Address "Z 4938, Teacher," this office. 11 B

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

AN experienced Companion Attendant, disengaged January; needlewoman; useful; go Housekeeper, small, refined home; nominal salary.—D 968, this office. 8 E

A MOST respectable young Widow, R.C. (Pioneer), maternity training, wishes a position as Housekeeper; mind an invalid or any position of trust; home experience; can send first class references if required. Address "Z 4841, Widow," this office. 8 E

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A CAPABLE young Gentlewoman desires position as Companion Housekeeper to lady living alone; very domesticated; needlewoman, gardening, poultry; some knowledge of nursing; country preferred; references.—D 1174, this office. 11 B

CITY—Young Man, hard hit, wants Morning Job, any work; small wages.—D 943, this office. 8 E

COMMISSIONED Warrant Officer, Royal Navy, retired, seeks Position of Trust, anywhere.—D 1124, this office. 10 A

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EMPLOYERS, try Ferguson's Registry, Carlow, for reliable Men and Women Servants (all positions), for England, Ireland, and Scotland. 8 E

ENGLISH Lady desires Sewing of any description; first class costumier and dressmaker; Children's Dresses a speciality.—X 400, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 10 E

EX-V.A.D., seven years' hospital experience, would go as Companion or Attendant; I.C. Address "Z 4930, V.A.D.," this office.

GROCERY and Provisions—Working Manager, I.C., engaged, wishes change; good results. Address "Z 4878, Manager," this office. 9 F

GENTLEWOMAN would go as Companion or Governess for comfortable home; most excellent references. Address "Z 4940, Companion," this office.

GENTLEWOMAN would Caretake House during owner's absence; highest references. Address "Z 4941, Caretaker," this office.

LADY, proficient in Shorthand and Typewriting, and with some experience of commercial work, would be glad to hear of Secretarial Work; can be highly recommended. Address "Z 4954, Lady," this office. 9 F

LADY would mind elderly person, assist generally; morning hours.—D 1119, this office. 10 A

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RE-ENGAGEMENT, January, capable Housekeeper; Protestant. Address "Z 4876, Housekeeper," this office. 8 F

SHORTHAND Typist (Junior) seeks position; highest references; accept small salary to start.—D 1095, this office. 10 E

UPHOLSTERING done cheaply at your own home by practical man; recommended.—D 1061, this office. 9 F

UPHOLSTERING to Furniture by competent man; terms moderate.—D 1108, this office. 10 A

YOUNG Lady, Sales; some experience, Protestant.—D 993, this office. 8 E

YOUNG Lady requires position as Shorthand Typist or Bookkeeper; has good qualifications, educated in city, now resides in country. Address "Z 4885, Typist," this office. 9 F

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

MAN to Milk Wanted (outdoor). Apply Richview Farm, Clonskea. 11 F

REQUIRED, Lodge Keeper, Protestant (Pensioner, R.I.C. preferred); wages 10/- per week and firing; must be an active man, to keep off trespass. Address "Z 4931, Lodge Keeper," this office. 11 A

REQUIRED, young Man to work under gamekeeper, for South-East; must have had previous experience; good house and garden; Protestant. Address, stating wages required, "Z 4930, Gamekeeper," this office. 11 A

WANTED, January, General Farm Man; milk, drive; non-union; wages £18 (indoor). Address "Z 4844, Man," this office. 8 E

WANTED, Trappers at once; must be first rate men, and have character; state terms and all particulars. Address "Z 4685, Trapper," this office. 2 X

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

A GOOD, experienced General Man, single, 30; understands horses, cattle, motor, plain gardening; highly recommended; disengaged early January; state terms. Address "Z 4921, Man," this office. 11 B

BUTLER Valet, disengaged; highly recommended. Address "Z 4904, Valet," this office. 10 E

EX-SOLDIER wishes situation as Manservant; understands all duties and valet; highest references.—D 1123, this office. 10 E

EXPERIENCED Trapper and Ferreter seeks situation. Address "Z 4954, Trapper," this office.

HERD, married, seeks situation; experienced man in all duties.—Lynch, Grangeford, Tullow. 8 E

YOUNG Man, married, R.C., no family, desires position; capable of taking charge of electric plant or doing any kind of work about a gentleman's place; highest references; strict T.T.; state terms. Address "Z 4835, Man," this office. 8 E

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

THOROUGHLY experienced young Man seeks post as First Journeyman or Foreman.—R O 1400, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 8 E

DOMESTICS WANTED.

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WANTED, for Monkstown, Betweenmaid, who would do washing; wages £22; send copy last paper.—358, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock.

WANTED, very smart superior girl, 16 to 18, to Help Daily in Flat; must live central; no washing or scrubbing; 2 in family.—D 1198, this office.

VACANCIES FOR SERVANTS.
There are many vacancies in the REGISTRY of the "Irish Times" for all classes of Trained and Untrained Servants. Good wages offered. No fees charged. MATRON can recommend comfortable Homes where Servants can stay while waiting for situations. T

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

A GOOD Plain Cook required; should understand small dairy, or be willing to learn from lady. Wages, copies references, to Miss Ellis, Miltown-Malbay, Co. Clare. 9 F

GOOD Cook Wanted. State age, and send copies references to Mrs. Evans, Bank of Ireland, Galway. 11 B

WANTED early in January, superior Cook General (R.C.), small family. Apply with copies, stating age and wages, Mrs. Owen Comerford, Wentworth Place, Wicklow. 8 E

WANTED on 1st January, for private family in County Monaghan, experienced Cook General (R.C.); must be first class plain cook; housemaid kept; no laundry; wages £40 (rising). Address, giving copy references, age, etc., "Z 4846, Cook General," this office. 9 F

WANTED, good Cook General, young country girl.—Carson, Meudon, Swords. 10 A

WANTED immediately, London, good singlehanded Cook, three maids kept; young Housemaid also required. Please reply, stating age, wages and references, Mrs. Thompson, 3 Cumberland Place, Regent's Park, London. 10 A

WANTED for 1st January, well recommended Cook General (good laundress), also House Parlourmaid, able to sew; Protestants preferred; for quiet place in Co. Donegal. Address, stating age, wages expected, and send copies of discharges, to "Z 4871, Cook General," this office. 9 X

GENERALS WANTED.

A SETTLED General required December 30th. Protestant, Rathmines. Address "Z 4860, General," this office. 9 F

GENERAL required immediately; plain cooking, ordinary duties; good wages offered. Apply, after 3 p.m., Heaton, St. Kevin's Park Dartry road. 11 B

SETTLED Protestant Woman; housework, washing; £16 £18; small house, suburbs.—D 1094, this office. 10 E

WANTED, good General, young, immediately, South side; enclose copies, state wages.—D 1131, this office. 10 E

WANTED, General Servant, Terenure district, small family; wages £20.—D 1180, this office. 11 F

WANTED immediately, smart, trustworthy General; fond of children. Apply, after 6 p.m., 9 Brighton road, Rathgar.

WANTED, experienced General; good plain cook; two in family; good wages. Reply to "The Chalet," Foxrock. 11 F

YOUNG General required. Apply 60 Upper Kenilworth Park. 11 F

HOUSE AND PARLOURMAIDS WANTED.

HOUSE Parlourmaid required at once; well recommended; small family, comfortable place, Palmerston Park. Copies of discharges to R O 1415, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

PARLOURMAID (Head). Vacancy on account of marriage—A very experienced and thoroughly trustworthy Head Parlourmaid required, middle of January; good wages; very comfortable post; only applicants, age under 40, with highest credentials and great experience considered. Please send full copies of testimonials and other details by post to Mrs. Wisdom Hely, Oakland, Rathgar, Co. Dublin. 8 E

WANTED, thoroughly experienced Protestant Parlourmaid. Apply Mrs. Browne-Clayton, Browne's Hill, Carlow. 11 A

NURSES WANTED.

AGENT for NURSES, MAIDS and ATTENDANTS. Miss Bellingham Todd, 5 Grafton street, Dublin. Interviews daily. Tel. No. 5258. T

WANTED, capable Girl to mind baby 2½ years and care flat; wages £26. Apply Mrs. Phillips, 69 Fellows road, Hampstead, London. 11 F

KITCHEN, LAUNDRY, ETC., WANTED.

KITCHENMAID, with some experience, required immediately Boys' School, Welsh Coast; also, after Xmas, experienced Housemaid; state wages, give references. Address "4396, Maid," this office. 21 X

DOMESTICS DISENGAGED.

ANY number Servants, Men, Women, all capacities, job or.—Kennedy's, 68 Sackville street. T

EXPERIENCED P'maid, H. P'maids, H'maids, Nurses; disengaged, permanent, temp.—Blackwood's, Lr. Mount st.

HOUSEWORK required two or three mornings weekly.—R O 1409, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 10 A

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COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS DISENGAGED.

AT Blackwood's, Lr. Mount st.—Excellent Cooks disengaged, temporary, permanent; also Housekeeper.

COOK or Cook General, job, temporary, hotel or private.—D 1151, this office.

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WOMAN AND HER HOME.

ABOUT CAROLS.

BY IVAN ADAIR.

FEW people are aware that the Christmas Carol is all that remains to us of the old "Mystery play," which, in the days of the beginnings of Christianity, was made use of to impress the significance of the Nativity upon beholders.

It is to St. Francis of Assisi that we owe the very first Mystery or Miracle Play, with its accompanying music in the form of carols or "joyful songs"; the original of all Mystery Plays, which was a crude representation of the Crib, was really performed with the dual purpose of enlightening the people and protesting against certain heresies in connection with the birth of our Lord which prevailed in Europe at that time.

Grecia, a small village not very far from Assisi, was the scene of this play, and it speaks well for the Saint's venture to find that his action was copied all over the Continent, till it finally arrived in these islands.

Unhappily, however, certain abuses began to creep into these performances. Music and dancing played a leading part in them, and after a time much of the sacred significance was lost in less decorous behaviour. Several efforts were made to reform the plays and to restore them to the religious ceremonies that they had originally been, but the other and less desirable element seemed to have gained too strong a hold, and presently all that remained of the original Mystery Plays were the Carols.

As a consequence very many of the Christmas carols in use to-day are of extreme antiquity, but unfortunately a very great number of these have been lost, mostly during the reign of the Puritans in England.

That austere party, looking as it did with stern disfavour on any display of the emotions, especially in religion, were prepared even to abolish Christmas itself, and was therefore, instrumental in getting rid of much of the joyful spirit of that happy time.

Mystery Plays left England in those days for good and all, and many of the old carols went too; some crept back again, others were altered almost beyond recognition, while others have been completely lost.

MAY SLADE.

HOUSE PLANTS.

IN spite of attention, house plants often look sickly, and seem to lack vitality. When this is the case they probably require new soil and repotting.

If living near the sea, procure some sand, leave it for a few days in the garden or a yard, and pour water on it (if there is no rain) to take away the salt.

The plant is then removed from its pot, the soil shaken off, and a size larger pot made ready with fresh, fine soil and sand mixed. After a few days of apparent sickliness the plants will revive, and have a fresh lease of life.

SHINING PALM LEAVES.

If the leaves of palms in pots lose their glossy beauty they should be sponged with a little warm milk and water. When dry sponge again with fresh milk alone.

Ferns in pots should be placed in a vessel containing two inches of water twice a week. They will absorb sufficient moisture through the hole in the bottom of the pot.

An occasional "tonic" is excellent for house plants; one of the best being strong cold tea poured into the roots.

If desired to keep a plant damp for a time, wet tea leaves spread over the soil, and then covered with moss, is an effectual method.

BULBS FOR THE HOUSE.

It is a simple matter to have beautiful, rich colours in our rooms all the winter by growing bulbs in prepared fibre (cocoanut fibre, charcoal, and broken shells is the best kind) at regular intervals.

Jonquils, daffodils, tulips, narcissi, are all suitable, and perhaps loveliest of all are the little Roman hyacinths, which flower first.

To be successful, the fibre must first be thoroughly and evenly moistened, a layer placed in the bowl, and the bulbs arranged (not touching each other); they must then be covered with more fibre, and placed in a dark, dry, but airy cupboard.

They should never be more than moist nor quite dry. In six weeks the bowls should be placed in a sunny window.

MAY SLADE.

RECIPES FOR THE COOK.

CREAM PUFFS AND ECLAIRS.

Choux pastry is the foundation of these cakes, and many housewives, believing this is difficult to make, hesitate to include them in their menus. But, provided the rules are carefully observed and the oven is the correct temperature for baking, choux pastry is really one of the simplest kinds to make. This pastry, when baked, becomes hollow in the centre, and when cold the cakes are split and filled with the desired mixture.

Use a saucepan to make this paste. Put into it two or three ounces of butter, and add gradually, stirring constantly, one gill of boiling water. Place over the heat, bring to the boil, and boil until the butter is thoroughly melted. Then add four ounces of dry and sifted flour, and stir vigorously. Cook until the mass is thick and smooth, and does not stick to the sides of the pan.

Stir constantly to avoid burning. Then remove the saucepan from the fire, and allow the paste to cool slightly. Now add three or four unbeaten eggs, one at a time, beating in each egg thoroughly until the mixture is smooth and pliable, before adding the next one. The paste should be of medium stiffness, the number of eggs depending on their size.

If cream puffs are desired, drop the mixture by spoonfuls on a greased baking sheet, and about one and a half inches apart.

Place in a hot oven (400° F.) and bake from 30-35 minutes, when the puffs should be evenly browned, well puffed, light and dry. Furthermore, they will not shrink when removed from the oven. It is when cream puffs are baked at too high a temperature for too short a time that they shrink on being removed from the oven.

If eclairs are to be made, grease the baking sheet. Put the pastry into a forcing bag with a round tube of one half-inch diameter. Force the paste through this in strips three and a half to four inches long. Bake in a hot oven 30-35 minutes.

After the pastry is baked, allow it to cool thoroughly before filling. Cream puffs may be filled with cream which has been sweetened, beaten stiff, and flavoured with vanilla, letting the filling show on the open side. Some people prefer a cream custard filling, with a sprinkling of powdered sugar on top. This filling may be flavoured with a little strong coffee or melted chocolate, and a corresponding flavoured icing is used on top.

Eclairs are filled with cream filling, whipped cream, or crushed and sweetened fruit, and may be iced on top.

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The New Book Illustration in France. By Léon Pichon. London: *The Studio.* 10/6 net.
[This special winter number of *The Studio* contains some 200 reproductions of the most recent book illustration work by French artists, and a long and interesting essay by M. Pichon, translated by Mr. Herbert Grimsditch.]

El Rodeo. By Charles Simpson, R.I. R.O.I. London: Lane. 15/- net.
[One hundred sketches made in the arena during this year's great international contest, reproduced in colour and half-tone. Mr. Cunningham Graham, in an introduction, declares that Mr. Simpson has immortalised the Rodeo. Some of the pictures will please those who care for sport in art and animal drawings alive with action. Among sketches of animals concerned in the exhibition is one of Deerfoot, a horse which kicked two men to death during contests in the States, and one of a worn-out horse, with a note saying that "the scars on the horse's face are caused by the rider's spurs during bucking."]

BIOGRAPHY.

Days of a Knight. By Sir Charles A. Payton, M.V.O. ("Sarcelle"). London: Hutchinson. 21/- net.
[In his "octogenarian's medley of memories," the author describes California in 1864 and the diamond diggings in 1871, experiences as British Consul in Morocco, Italy and France, interviews with many Royal personages, and sporting adventures. For nearly half a century Sir Charles wrote in *The Field* on sporting topics under the name of "Sarcelle."]

Love Stories of English Queens. By Elizabeth Villiers. London: Stanley Paul. 7/6 net.

CRITICISM.

The Wessex Novels of Thomas Hardy. By Randall Williams, M.A. London: Dent. 6/- net.
[A critical study of Mr. Hardy's novels, with an attempt at an analysis of his philosophy. The writer holds that Mr. Hardy's temperament is "the result of the adjustment of three qualities—humour, picturesqueness, and poetry."]

ECONOMICS.

The National Bank of Greece. By M. S. Eulambio. London: Eyre and Spottiswoode.
[The author of this large volume, which is printed in Athens, is managing director of the bank which he describes, giving at the same time a history of the financial and economic evolution of Greece.]

The Solution of Unemployment. By W. H. Wakinshaw, M.A. (Oxon), Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 10/- net.
[A huge volume advocating the Social Credit Theorem of Major C. H. Douglas. The author treats his subject discursively, and touches on questions of religion, ethnology, history, law and Irish politics.]

FICTION.

The Farm of Melchizedek. By "Rita." **The Double House.** By Elizabeth Dejeans. **A Simple Soul.** By Una L. Silberrad. **The Beloved Brute.** By Kenneth Perkins. Hutchinson. 7/6 net apiece.

Because of Holy Ones. By P. J. O'Connor Duffy. Gill. 1/6 net.

A Man of Parts. By J. J. Nelson. Stanley Paul. 7/6 net.

Sailors' Wives. By Warner Fabian. 7/6 net.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The South American Handbook, 1925. London: South American Publications, Ltd. 7/6 net.

The Beginner's Book of Chess. By F. Hollings. **Chess of To-day.** By Alfred Emery. London: Frank Hollings. 1/- and 2/6 net.

The Mothercraft Manual. By Mabel Liddiard. London: J. and A. Churchill. 3/6 net.

NEW EDITIONS.

Shirley's Leading Cases in the Common Law. By Graham Olver. London: Stevens. £1.
[This is the tenth edition of this standard work.]

NATURE.

The Flaming Wheel. By St. John Whitty. Dublin: The Talbot Press. 5/- net.
[The late Miss Sophia St. John Whitty originally contributed many of these Nature studies in the Counties of Dublin and Wicklow to the *Irish Times*, and our readers will seek the volume, which is so rich in interest for lovers of the Irish countryside, with a sad desire to possess a copy of beautiful essays that never will be supplemented by fresh writings from their author's pen.]

POETRY AND DRAMA.

An Anthology of Sleep. Compiled by Catherine Alison Phillips. 6/- net.
[Mrs. Alison Phillips, in this exquisitely-produced volume, has drawn chiefly on the English and Classical poets, and has collected a bewildering array of lovely utterances on sleep, its mysterious kinship with death, spells and charms for its winning, dreams and nightmares and wakefulness.]

Hunting Lays and Hunting Ways. Collected and Recollected by Lady Birkett. London: Lane. 15/- net.
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Three More Plays. By Florence M. Millward. London: Joseph Williams. 2/- net.
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Heaps o' Money: A Comedy in Two Acts. Dublin: Gill. 2/- net.
[A dramatic version of the Rev. Mark O'Byrne's amusing Irish story, suitable for amateur players.]

Pancakes. By Patrick Chalmers. London: Poetry Bookshop. 2/6 net.
[Fifteen poems reprinted from Punch—pretty, fanciful lyrics, sometimes rising to the standard of the poet's well-known gipsy piece in "Roundabouts and Swings."]

The Passing: A Tragedy. **Old Mag:** A Christmas Play. By Kenneth Sarr. Dublin: The Talbot Press. 1/- net apiece.

Selected Poems. By John Oxenham. London: T. Fisher Unwin. 4/6 net.
[Since 1913 Mr. Oxenham's poems have sold to the extent of over a million copies. This beautifully produced pocket volume contains 300 closely printed pages, containing what the author considers to be the best of his work since 1900.]

POLITICAL.

They Make a Desert. By Francesco Nitti. London: Dent. 10/6 net.
[The former Prime Minister of Italy writes an indictment of French policy since 1916, declaring that the French efforts to dismember Germany have prepared another war. Signor Nitti laments "the strange apathy of the United States."]

Canadian Federation. By Reginald George Trotter, Ph.D. London: Dent. 7/6 net.
[This "study in nation-building" describes the origin and achievement of Canadian federation. "It is true that (Canada's) present position among the nations appears strangely anomalous, impossible to classify, indeed, under the old categories. But," says the author, "in caring nothing for the categories of the political theorist if they lag behind living development, the Dominion is showing forth the vitality of her political life and institutions, proving herself a true heir, in the most fundamental sense, of British tradition." The work is well documented.]

RELIGION AND PHILOSOPHY.

Early Hebrew History. By Harold M. Wiener, M.A. London: Robert Scott.
[The little essay and one on "The Law of Change in the Bible" first appeared in the *Bibliotheca Sacra*; another, on "The Biblical Doctrines of Joint, Hereditary and Individual Responsibility," is new. There is an index of Biblical texts.]

Paul and Albert. By the Rev. G. Vale Owen. London: Hutchinson. 4/6 net.
[We are told that "the 'Paul and Albert' inspirational script was received by Mr. Vale Owen from a band of spirit communicators." The book is a narrative purporting to record events in the spirit world, and there is a map of the "Land of the Dawning."]

Latin Christianity: From Tertullian to Boethius. By Pierre de Labriolle. London: Kegan Paul. 25/- net.
[Cardinal Gasquet, in a Foreword, recommends this study of the history and literature of Christianity during the first six centuries. The lives of the great writers of ancient Christendom are briefly sketched in an historical setting, and their works are subjected to analytical examination. There are tables representing Latin Christian literature, and exhaustive bibliographies.]

Quo Tendimus? By Herbert Hensley Henson, D.D. London: Hodder and Stoughton. 2/6 net.
[The Bishop of Durham's "primary charge," delivered at his visitation to the clergy of his diocese in November of this year.]

The Dilemmas of Jesus. By James Black, D.D. London: Hodder and Stoughton. 7/6 net.
[Dr. Black, Minister of St. George's United Free Church, Edinburgh, prints twelve sermons on such topics as "the dilemma of popularity," "the dilemma of politics," "the dilemma of silence," etc.]

TRANSLATION.

The Old Testament: A New Translation. Vol. II.—Job to Malachi. By James Moffatt, D.D. London: Hodder and Stoughton. 10/6 net.
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A. O. Barnabooth: His Diary. By Valery Larbaud. London: Dent. 7/6 net.
[This novel, supposed to be the diary of a young multi-millionaire, is translated by Mr. Gilbert Cannan.]

TRAVEL.

The Vast Sudan. By Major Radclyffe Dugmore, F.R.G.S. London: Arrowsmith. 21/- net.
[This most timely volume, which contains maps and photographs, describes a journey through the Sudan which finished last May. The journey was undertaken at the suggestion of the officials of the Sudan. It is not political, but descriptive.]

In South American Waters. By Thomas Coffey, B.A. Dublin: Gill. 2/6 net.
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The special interest and greater value of the diary consists of the flood of inner light which it casts upon the political management of the war by the two great Allies who bore the main brunt of it. The soldiers, of course, supplied military science, and did the actual fighting; but, on the Allied side, the politicians, as is inevitable under democratic government, managed the war, being ultimately responsible for the supply of men and materials, picking and choosing generals, selecting war-fronts, and finally deciding on campaigns. Lord Bertie, whose diary was interrupted by his illness and retirement in May, 1918, expresses no general conclusions on this subject, but the reader can hardly avoid drawing some striking conclusions of his own.

During the first three years the Allied management of the war, conducted on the principle of more than one captain in the ship and also more than one chief engineer, made victory hopeless. But for the magnificent spirit, the sound political sense and the patriotic self-sacrifice of the French and British peoples themselves, defeat would have been inevitable on more than one occasion during that period. The politicians, in fact, and especially the French politicians, showed themselves, until 1918, lamentably beneath their gigantic task, as manifested in lack of adequate co-ordination, vacillation and timidity. Germany was neither superior nor equal to the chief Allies in either valour or brains. Her superiority resided in unity of direction and of military command, which, for the time being, made her invincible. The Allied victory was only finally achieved because, in the first place, the peoples (including the soldiers) had insisted on holding out *jusqu'au bout*, and because, in the second place, one man, Clemenceau, eventually assumed what was virtually supreme political direction, and soon afterwards skilfully manœuvred Foch into the supreme military command.

Owing to the power of the Socialists in France, the political condition of that country, at the outset, was rotten, erupting eventually in the loathsome Almereyda, Malvy, Bolo, Caillaux and other scandals, which later on Clemenceau ruthlessly lanced. Fortunately, during that evil period, the far more wholesome condition of English politics reacted, with steadying effect, on French public life, and Briand, whom the national danger had suddenly stripped of all his Socialist ideas, managed, by political tight-rope dancing and the powerful charm of his voice, to exert a large control and to help to save France. Nevertheless, the French Socialists, whose main concern was not the winning of the war, but the acquisition of power, had to be appeased in many disastrous ways. Several of France's best military chiefs, including Foch and Castelnau, were, before Clemenceau's assumption of supreme power, relegated to the background: the Socialists objected to them as being unduly Christian! For a similar irreligious reason they hated Joffre, but dared not, in view of his immense popular *prestige* after the Marne battle, get rid of him at once. Another pet general of the Socialists was Sarrail, whom they managed to get installed in chief command of the Salonica front, after his previous dismissal by Joffre for incompetence on the French front. After two clear years of dismal failure at Salonica, it was impossible to dislodge Sarrail, in spite of the very urgent insistence of the British Government, until Clemenceau took charge of affairs, and at once got rid of him.

As Paris was a sort of political and diplomatic clearing-house for all the Allies, the affairs of the other Allies are also continually referred to in Lord Bertie's Diary. The Russians, whom he speaks of as "children," showed themselves as inferior diplomatically as militarily, embarrassing the chief Allies by assuming the air of dictators whenever they themselves happened to score some temporary military success. In this connection there are indications that, had the 1915 attempt to capture Constantinople succeeded, the immediate question of its disposal might have disrupted the Alliance, as the more or less secret diplomatic undertaking to hand it over to Russia lacked popular support, particularly in France. After the Italian disaster at Caporetto (October, 1917), when it was proposed that the French should send an army corps and the British a force half that size to Italy, to hearten the Italian "people" and stiffen the Italian front, Sir W. Robertson obstinately opposed the proposal, declaring that it was simply "throwing good money after bad"; but he was, most fortunately as it turned out, overruled.

Lord Kitchener seems to have been equally "difficult" with the French. The diary speaks of his habit of "reverting to proposals already exploded." After the evacuation of Gallipoli, Kitchener had the fixed idea of evacuating the Salonica front also, Robertson backing him. This upset the French, and, at a mixed political and military conference in Paris, Briand adduced arguments against evacuation, which convinced Mr. Asquith, who thereupon threw over both Kitchener and Robertson. It seems clear that, but for purely political considerations, connected with Ireland, Sir Henry Wilson, the ablest of British military chiefs, would have been placed in supreme military control on the British side three years before that actually happened.

As the Germans' hope of victory receded, it is most interesting to see the gradual extension and intensifying of the great German peace offensive (largely under neutral and humanitarian *camouflage*), enveloping not only French politicians, including eventually Briand himself, but also some English politicians. Clemenceau was more than a match for that insidious aggression. When Albert Thomas, the French Socialist and Labour leader, in March, 1918, felt emboldened by the peace propaganda to threaten Clemenceau with a general strike, unless the latter caved in, Clemenceau curtly remarked—"You'll not be there, in any case." "Why not?" asked Thomas. "Because I'll have you shot well before the general strike takes place," replied Clemenceau. Under date of March 12th, 1918, Lord Bertie writes:—"I met Clemenceau this morning as he was leaving his office. He starts for London tomorrow morning. The Prime Minister (Lloyd George) meets more than his equal in him; he is not the man to be bullied." That outstanding characteristic in this veteran French statesman was an indispensable factor in the final victory of the Allies.

H. K.

"The Diary of Lord Bertie, 1914-1918." Edited by Lady Algernon Gordon Lennox. With a Foreword by Viscount Grey of Fallodon. London: Hodder and Stoughton. Two Vols. £2 2s. 0d. net.

THE CONNAUGHT RANGERS.

The 1st Battalion Connaught Rangers—the old 88th—was originally raised in 1793 by Colonel the Honourable John Thomas de Burgh, afterwards thirteenth Earl of Clanricarde. The men hailed from Connaught, and not only were the officers Irish, but they belonged almost all to the same spot, a majority of them being relatives of the colonel. Their earliest service was at Buenos Ayres in 1807, whither a British force had been despatched as a flank attack on Spain, then allied with Napoleon. This expedition met with disaster; for the Argentinians, although rebels against old Spain, were in no way anxious for a change of masters. From South America the battalion passed to the Peninsula, where many of its doings were chronicled by Ensign William Gratton.

Complaints were frequent that the men lacked a sense of discipline, and Picton, a Welshman, hostile to all things Irish, was believed to regard such complaints with favour. It is recorded that on the evening of Busaco, after the famous bayonet charge, he came along, when a Private Cooney of the 4th Company, addressed the General. "Well, General, where were you this morning? We had a warm job of it, but our Colonel did it nately. Are we the Connaught Footpads now?"—a typical Irish remark which Picton took in good part, although the Colonel punished Cooney for his audacity. Readers of "Charles O'Malley" will remember the great fights in this campaign, Torres Vedras, Ciudad Rodrigo, Badajos, Salamanca, the capture of Madrid—all names to be found on the old Connaught banners which to-day repose at Windsor Castle. At this time the men's wives went with them during the campaign, and when one reads down the names—Brazel, Kelly, McCowan—for the moment it seems difficult to appreciate that these are the battles not of yesterday, but of a century back. The regiment fought at Roncesvalles, where Roland died, and then through the Pyrenees to Orthes, and even up as far as pretty St. Jean-de-Luz. At Fuentes d'Oñoro Wellington passed along the ranks as the men fell into position. "By ——," said one of the men, "it's he, and I'm better plased to see his honor's long nose there nor ten thousand new men." Despite prejudice, the facts prove that the regiment had a wonderfully clean disciplinary record throughout the Peninsular War.

From Spain the Connaughts went to Canada, engaging the troops of the newly formed United States at Plattsburg. They arrived home too late, however, for Waterloo. It was not until 1836 that the regiment was first stationed in Ireland, at Kinsale, coming here from the Ionian Isles. Several efforts seem to have been made to render the men disaffected at this period. In 1825, when they were stationed in the factory districts in England, seditious literature was distributed among the soldiers, with results disappointing to those engaged in the task. Similar attempts failed in Ireland between the years 1841 and 1851. It is, however, remarkable that the regiment did not disappear without one mutiny—that at Jullundur on the 28th June, 1920, made in protest against the conditions then prevailing in Ireland. One soldier, Daly, was shot for his part in the venture, which involved eighty-eight men—most curiously, the number that was once borne by the regiment.

The story of Alma and of the Crimea disposes the reader to the view that the old-time war was even worse than that through which we have passed. An interesting photograph is preserved of a drummer, pioneer and corporal of the Crimean period. Indeed, this volume is rich in excellent photographs — the battalion at Agra, in 1866; at Athlone, photographed in the snow, in 1899, prior to departure for South Africa; and another photograph, taken on the same day, shows the officers of the regiment with "Bobs" in the centre. This regiment has been fortunate in always having a chronicler on the spot. Even the late war was not without its scribe in the person of the Reverend Father Peal, S.J., who joined as chaplain at Cairo, when the battalion was passing from Ferozepore to France. Landing at Marseilles on the 26th September, 1914, the Connaughts served from Mons to Macedonia and from Macedonia to Mesopotamia. As many as thirty-seven place names were allowed to them for their share in the Great War.

"The Connaught Rangers." By Lieutenant-Colonel H. F. N. Jourdain, C.M.G., and Edward Fraser. London: Royal United Services Institution. Vol. I. £3 3/-.

FISH AND ACTORS.

This remarkable book is not about fish at all or about actors as we know them. It deals with travelling mummers, with a type of professional "fit-up actor" extinct in England and existing only in Ireland—that faithful country which always harbours the cause that is neglected and the beauty that has departed from other lands. The newspapers keep us in touch with the doings of our actors and actresses on the authentic stage. We hear all about their comings in and their goings out, their wedding days and their divorce days: but the mummer, the pale-faced theatrical pilgrim who arrived with Marlowe, who drank with Shakespeare, and is now being driven from his barn by the cinema, just as the cab is being driven from the streets by the "taxi," is a mere abstraction to us like Einstein's Theory.

Such ignorance is no longer possible now that Mr. Sutton has conducted the "fit-up actor" into the light of literature. He has done it with extreme skill, mingling English epigram with Irish lucidity in a very refreshing manner. First of all, he introduces us to the general life and property of the mummers. He describes the "fit-up" itself and drags us behind the scenes with a vengeance. He astounds us with the versatility of the frock-coat—often a "fit-up actor's" only wardrobe. "Buttoned up it serves for colonels and heavy fathers; unbuttoned and worn with a slight stoop, pathetic old men; with a black stock and collar turned back to front, comic curates and dignified bishops." He shows how the hero is safe provided he has "a soft white shirt and leather belt (no hero wears braces)." He demonstrates that versatility in hair saves a multitude of wigs—"flattened and parted in the middle for dukes and curates: swept carelessly across the brow for heroes: well-greased for villains; rumpled up for comedy or intense emotion; brushed back and powdered for aristocratic old men."

The mummer himself does not cut a proud picture in these pages. There is no romance here—no mouth-watering ascensions "from call-boy to star." It looks as if Mr. Sutton were indulging in truth. The life of the "fit-up actor" seems to be one which begins in penury and ends in gloom. His circumstances seem to dictate that he shall never be rich, never secure, never honoured, never independent, never fearless of the police; that, whether a good or bad actor, he shall always be on the brink of starvation and ever-ready disaster; that he shall tolerate the insults and the idiocy of unspeakable managers; that he shall be for ever seeking new lodgings and often finding none; that he shall walk and wander, as ceaselessly as Ahasueras the everlasting Jew, from village to village, to be met with the scorn of the laity and the curses of the clergy.

Yet if Mr. Sutton has not neglected to expose the gloomy side of this life, he has not failed to show its beauty and its humour. Flashes of beauty illuminate the book, and again and again light and living laughter bursts out in triumphant gaiety. There is one story—"By Act of God"—which is quite as funny as anything Mr. W. W. Jacobs has written, and quite as strong as a Synge play, while there is another—"Nap and Joy"—which, though weak at the end, is beautiful and deeply moving. As for the individual characters to whom we are introduced, what a gallery!

The book consists of short stories through which these various characters wander, sometimes as villains, sometimes as heroes—according to circumstance. This is very aptly done, for the life of a "fit-up actor" is a life of short stories and long drinks. Mr. Sutton has done more than introduce a new method into story-telling. He has painted a vivid picture of a certain kind of life soon to be known no more. He has written history, and who but an artist should write history?

"Fish and Actors." By Graham Sutton. London: Brentano. 7/6 net.

TWENTY YEARS IN BORNEO.

Accident brought Mr. Bruce to Borneo as a cadet of police twenty-three years ago. One of his earliest tasks was to hang Langap, a rebel and a coward. On the day of his death he asked for curry, a dish which takes hours to prepare, evidently to gain time. Afterwards he made a will, spending nearly an hour in reciting a list of non-existent property. Gambling to the end, he refused to have his eyes bandaged; but, at the last minute, when the firing party had picked up their arms, suddenly asked for a bandage. Passing from this, we learn that the native dish of putrid pig is better than its name would imply. The flesh is mixed with certain barks and leaves, then cased in a bamboo, and thus buried in the ground for six months or so. The result is a mass of decomposition, jelly-like in texture, with a horrible smell. However, like the durian fruit, the condiment is edible.

Out here, the officer in the lonely station usually talks things over of an evening with his neighbour, sixty miles away, provided that the wire is not down. Like most who write of this locality, Mr. Bruce tells us of the wretched leeches which cling to the traveller in certain districts, often leaving the clothes, after some hours, wet with blood. The administrator of some twenty years ago enjoyed considerable latitude, and, if he "made good," was not hampered with official interference. As a magistrate, he was largely his own code. Once, however, headquarters complained that the author had fired several shots when pursuing rebels, without putting up a proclamation of martial law—a somewhat futile proceeding as no one for miles round could read any tongue, English or Malay.

It is not so many years since natives tried to "dry" ice in the sun, just as they had dried fish at home, in their anxiety to bring a sample of this wonderful product of the white man's ingenuity home to their wives. They are now somewhat sharper, and Europeanised at least with a veneer. The native religion is now almost gone. Christianity is taught by missionaries of various creeds. Mr. Bruce thinks that the native gets just the kind of training which is most unsuitable to him in the Christian schools. Dogma is the paramount consideration with the teacher, who seeks to dislodge native superstition by inculcating the Christian creed. The author contends that ethics and rules of conduct are neglected, with the result that the native leaves school denied such influences as sport, tradition and the other important things which through centuries of imperceptible working have combined to make the Christian school admirable for the Christian boy, reared by Christian parents. Mr. Bruce's work is extremely instructive.

"Twenty Years in Borneo." By Charles Bruce. London: Cassell. 15/- net.

A LAST SCRAP BOOK.

This book is, perhaps, for the learned, but not altogether for the erudite, and the reader of passing knowledge will find much to attract in Professor Saintsbury's delicate Addisonian humour. Well-meaning cranks, representative of "Pacifism," Pussyfootism, Birth-Control, Anti-Patriotism, Universal Education, Instruction of the Young in *tacenda*, Abolition of Capital Punishment, Abolition of Poverty, etc., meet to discuss the reunion of the Christian Churches. The Roman Catholic Church "had more wit than to be there." They talk nonsense, those delegates—the usual nonsense of the convention—and, when everything is over, make declarations. A day or two later Father Woodcock, S.J., points out in *The Times* that their anti-war declaration alone would have made it impossible for his Church to join. Some of the conference big-wigs attempt to cope with him. But the difference of their methods! "This 'Jesuit' stated his case with perfect clearness and accuracy, argued his points with flawless logic, and drew an inevitable conclusion. His answerers answered with pleas that they hadn't 'meant' this, that they hadn't 'intended' that, that somebody had injudiciously said something that mustn't be taken as the mind of the conference. One really seemed to be reading the *Provinciales*, with the parts changed by some latter-day Puck!" The author is fond of the Thirty-nine Articles, "because they are so astonishingly clever." They were written "for these times," and the Professor, who learnt them by heart as a boy, sees, without casuistry, a certain ingenious non-committal attitude here and there in the Articles, and elsewhere unflinching orthodoxy. However, he will most cheerfully affirm that "the Bishop of Rome hath no jurisdiction in this realm of England." These essays touch subjects ranging from politics to modern psychology, as administered to teachers, and not one of them but reads well.

"A Last Scrap Book." By George Saintsbury. London: Macmillan. 7/6 net.

A RUSSIAN REVOLUTIONARY.

"Boris Savinkoff, a Russian revolutionary—his book," might well be the title of this remarkable work which Sir Paul Dukes has translated. Beginning as a violent anti-Tsarist, Savinkoff fought in the late war, joined the revolution, broke with the Bolsheviks, joined the Czecho-Slovak Army at Kazan as a private in the cavalry, and in 1920 found himself at the head of a force of 20,000 refugees at Warsaw. After the peace with Poland he brought his troops into White Russia just at the moment when Wrangel's expedition had failed. As a result, the victorious Bolsheviks were able to hurl masses of troops against him. From this date he definitely broke with the "Whites," who seem to have been impossible people—loose-livers, drunkards and incapable of organisation.

Convinced that the peasant is the only person in Russia who really matters, Savinkoff, himself a peasant, got together a small column of "Greens" with which he delivered telling attacks on isolated "Red" outposts. To save himself from sinking to the savagery of his associates he kept a diary during this remarkable period. When his mistress was captured he followed her to Moscow. There he organised assassinations and attacks on munition trains—when he was not expostulating with Olga, his one-time *fiancé* and devoted co-worker in the cause of revolt, now an ardent worshipper of Marx and the "Comrades." He was captured in August of last year, sentenced to death, and released after a short imprisonment. The story is a candid admission of hangings and torturings. Savinkoff's irregulars burnt "spies," beat pregnant women to death, and he was compelled to execute several of his officers and men who were taken red-handed in the only crime which their leader seemed to regard as unpardonable—looting. As a record of the human mind working through an amazing epoch this book is of permanent value. Again and again poems of the intelligentsia are quoted, and he often reproduces the talks and theories of the old pre-revolution days, when all were just anti-Tsarist.

"The Black Horse." By Boris Savinkoff ("Ropshin"). Translated by Sir Paul Dukes, K.B.E. London: Williams and Norgate. 5/- net.

MASTER MISSIONARIES.

These two biographies of James Gilmour and Tom Dobson are the first of the "Master Missionary Series," edited by W. P. Livingstone. Gilmour is famous for his work among the Mongols and Tom Dobson—had not his life been cut short by a fanatic——would have become famous as the champion of the out-castes of India. Both men had the heroic spirit in large measure. Like Cromwell, on the day before the battle of Dunbar, they might have said every day. "We are upon an engagement very difficult." They faced the difficulties like men who rejoice in battle. The ideal that has seduced so many of a "soft job," an easy life and a good time, made no appeal to their blithe and manly minds. It would be a healthful tonic to the young folk of our generation to read these books, especially the story of Gilmour of Mongolia. The books are well written and are remarkably cheap.

"Gilmour of the Mongols." By W. P. Nairne. "Tom Dobson." By Nicol MacNicol, D.Litt. London: Hodder and Stoughton. 1/6 net each.

RECENT FICTION.

Miss Muriel Hine might have made a poignant enough story out of the situation treated in "Youth Wins." Mrs. Verney is an abnormally selfish woman, who dominates and overshadows her daughter's personality to such an extent that, at the age of twenty-seven, Jocelyn is nothing but a weary slave. Mrs. Verney is too diabolically efficient in her determination to keep her daughter by her side. She not only discourages acquaintance with young men, but actually frightens away the importunate ones by the whispered confidence that the girl suffers from incipient insanity. This is one of those glaringly improbable possibilities which destroy all illusions of reality in a reader's mind, and, as the title prepares one for the sequel, even the tragic portions of the story lose their thrill.

"Youth Wins." By Muriel Hine. Lane. 7/6 net.

Mr. Grant Richards's discernment as a publisher has long been recognised, and, though the critic is not always capable of producing creative work, his essays into other branches of literature are seldom without merit. Nobody would describe Mr. Grant Richards as a great novelist, but all his novels are entertaining, and "Every Wife" is as delightful and humorous a satire on modern society as "Caviare." It is built up on a slender but original plot. The spectacle of two young wives disporting themselves at Monte Carlo for a month, while their respective husbands remain at home, sulky but acquiescent, is one which will appeal to many. The fun becomes fast and furious when the same husbands, ignorant of their wives' whereabouts, fix upon the South of France as a cure for their loneliness.

"Every Wife." By Grant Richards. Grant Richards. 7/6 net.

"Across the Moon" is, in a sense, a study of heredity. Dickie, the hero, is the son of a neurotic woman, whose strong passions were thwarted in youth. Late in life, when she grew to love the man whom she married, she lavished all her affection on Stuart, the child of her late-found love, and Dickie hungered in vain. As the boys grew up, however, jealousy gave place in Dickie's heart to an almost passionate affection for his younger brother, and then a curse laid upon the family bore fruit in the meeting of both brothers with Joyce Vane. The author has been at pains to complicate his story by a curious technique which consists in numbered paragraphs, which carry the reader backwards and forwards until he is quite at sea as to the stage of the story which has been reached.

"Across the Moon." By Hamish Macleod. Hutchinson. 7/6 net.

This is a first novel, and the author may be congratulated upon his achievement. The outstanding character, Mark Rawson, is a domineering, self-made man, whose habitual tyranny, both at work and at home, has grown upon him, so that none may cross his will. A strike at the factory gives Mark the opportunity of a firm stand, but he is injured by a stone thrown from the mob surrounding his house, and the illness that results changes his whole personality and outlook. He is misunderstood by his circle, and this fact leads to the final tragedy. The author is equally successful with his minor characters—Amy, the girl who stands by her father, gentle, loyal Mrs. Rawson, Horace, the self-sufficient young curate, and the rest.

"The Mind of Mark." By H. Herman Chilton. Arnold. 7/6 net.

Messrs. Jarrold have found in Mr. Elliot H. Paul's "Indelible" a worthy addition to their new series of good fiction. It is an original and impressive story, told in a striking and unforgettable manner. Although it is in part the autobiography of an American boy of poor class, its colloquialisms are in no way irritating to British ears, but have, on the contrary, a literary and artistic quality. Samuel and the little Jewish girl are both musicians of no mean order, and the book is planned and written in the form of a sonata, to which the introduction in *vers libre* gives the key.

"Indelible." By Elliot H. Paul. Jarrolds. 7/6 net.

"STUDIES."

The December issue of *Studies*, the quarterly review edited by the Irish Jesuit Fathers, is not quite so interesting as usual. The most notable contribution is a paper on "Divorce Legislation in the United States," by Dr. John A. Ryan, the well-known writer on sociological questions. Dr. Ryan describes the various divorce codes in the different States, and mentions that in the whole Union there is a higher proportion of divorces than in any other country, even the Japanese figures having been exceeded. The State of Carolina, which is "ultra-Protestant in her religion," however, has never granted a divorce. Another interesting contribution is "Healing Religions in the United States," in which Dr. James J. Walsh, a physician, describes the many groups which have risen in the United States to propagate doctrines similar to Mrs. Eddy's. Mr. W. F. Butler, M.R.I.A., has a striking essay on Irish Land Tenures, confirming Dr. MacNeill's theory of the family communes by evidence drawn from the Welsh system. Professor Augustine Henry deals with a subject which he has made his own in Irish forestry. Professor Michael Tierney, in his defence of the Byzantines against Gibbon's sweeping condemnation, covers ground already well explored.

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PROSPECTS FOR LINGFIELD.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday Night.

Another race meeting has been lost in the fog. It was so thick in that part of Essex this morning that the Chelmsford stewards decided quite early in the day that the prospects of being able to race were remote, so they abandoned the meeting early enough to prevent intending visitors from London from starting. The Southern Railway Company ran their special trains to Plumpton yesterday as if racing were certain, and did not re-deliver a batch of hungry, famished and disgruntled racegoers back in Victoria Station until 5.30 p.m.

Optimists say there are signs of the fog lifting, though as I write to-night it is as black as ever. We must hope for the best for the Lingfield Meeting scheduled for to-morrow afternoon. There are two races there, the Lingfield Open Steeplechase and the Covert Side Steeplechase, which seem cut out for Wroughton horses, Clashing Arms and Holdcroft. In both races these horses are meeting on level terms others to which, were the races handicaps, they would be set to give a lot of weight. I do not see anything, with the possible exception of Beggar's End, capable of beating CLASHING ARMS in the Open Steeplechase. Lingfield is, perhaps, the best course in the kingdom for Lieutenant-Colonel Anthony's horse. Nor is HOLDCROFT likely to be beaten in the Covert Side Steeplechase. North Waltham does not seem to have recovered his form, and Merry Miner is moderate.

There are a number of useful animals in the Crowhurst Hurdle, in which I choose the three-year-old filly, ARGENTINE, who ran so well against Scotch Pearl at Sandown last week. If this filly waits to be exploited somewhere else, IVYMOUNT might be good enough to win. The Hever Handicap Hurdle for amateur riders should rest between KINNAIRD and the Gatwick winner, Chiltington. The former ran Peter Pax to a short head at Kempton, and his form reads the better, so he may win.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

1.0 Race.—Evens Ardgour, 3 to 1 agst. Greenogue, 6 to 1 Commander Smith, 7 to 1 Ned Carver, 8 to 1 Carrolstown, 100 to 8 any other.

1.30 Race.—5 to 2 agst. General Post, 7 to 2 Ivymount, 5 to 1 Belsize, 6 to 1 Golden Duke, 7 to 1 Musteline, 8 to 1 Sinsama, 10 to 1 each Spigot Lodge and Tudor King, 100 to 8 any other.

2.0 Race.—7 to 4 agst. Clashing Arms, 5 to 2 Alcazar, 5 to 1 Music Hall, 7 to 1 each Beggar's End and Hawker, 10 to 1 Progress, 100 to 6 any other.

2.30 Race.—2 to 1 agst. Clear Eye, 7 to 2 Aliette, 5 to 1 Bypo, 7 to 1 each Olivebury and Ormada, 8 to 1 Silver Mine, 10 to 1 each Foggia and Postal Order, 100 to 8 Princess VI., 100 to 6 any other.

3.0 Race.—2 to 1 agst. Antimagic, 3 to 1 Chiltington, 4 to 1 Kinnaird, 6 to 1 White Ronald, 8 to 1 Financier, 10 to 1 each Brandyball and Oh! Dick, 100 to 6 any other.

3.30 Race.—2 to 1 on Holdcroft, 7 to 2 agst. Snapper, 5 to 1 North Waltham, 8 to 1 Merry Miner, 10 to 1 Arduous, 100 to 6 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

1. 0—Ardgour.
1.30—General Post.
2. 0—Clashing Arms.
2.30—Clear Eye.
3. 0—Antimagic.
3.30—Holdcroft.

Double:—Clashing Arms (nap) and Holdcroft.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS.

Daily Mirror:—Double—Postal Order and Chiltington (nap).

Daily Graphic:—Double — Clashing Arms and Holdcroft.

Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best — Greenogue. Double—Greenogue and Clashing Arms.

Daily News:—Double—Ardgour and Holdcroft.

Daily Express:—Double—General Post and Chiltington. Safety bet—Chiltington.

THE SPORTING INSTINCT.

DUTCH CRITICISM OF BRITISHERS AT PLAY.

In the *Nieuwe Rotterdamsche Courant* (*New Rotterdam Courier*) a Hague Correspondent, during the internment of the British during 1918, discussed British sporting instincts, and his conclusions and observations are not without interest. He writes:—

"The psychology of the Englishman is so singular that many who lack the power to penetrate it hide their disability by simply representing their own national character as superior. We have noticed many remarkable instances of this in recent years, particularly during the war. Wordy conflicts have been fought over the demands necessary to secure discipline and renunciation. What some described as dangerous to the State, and as an undermining of discipline, to be countered by every possible method, is for the Britisher simply an expression of moral health. At one time there was a great-to-do here about football matches in which officers met those lower in rank. In the end it was permitted.

"What, we wonder, must these who expressed such anxiety on the subject of the undermining of discipline, feel when they see the British military playing Rugby on the ground beyond the Witte Bridge. They all play together—higher officers, subalterns, lieutenants, N.C.O.'s, privates, sailors, English and Scotch (he forgot Irish, Welsh and the Colonies).

DISTINCTIONS OF RANK FORGOTTEN.

"—and where the rules of Rugby certainly do not secure that 'maintenance of distance' as we understand it.

"By no means! For if an officer has the ball his soldier opponent must seize him by the shoulder and throw him to the ground if necessary. It he does not do that then he does not play well, and his own lieutenant will leave him out of the team.

"But there is worse than that, to use the tone of the anxious. In the scrum a soldier throws his arm about the neck of an officer, the officer embraces an N.C.O., and the three bend over together and press against three sailors, who, without ceremony, thrust against them. We have seen this played with enthusiasm; we have seen a Scottish officer, a very good player and a swift runner—he was hardly to be held—but there was a soldier, a three-quarter, who was just as quick. The soldier rushed towards the speeding officer, tried to grasp him, missed, fell, and then caught the lieutenant by the heel, causing him to turn some violent somersaults. From the sporting point of view it was fine, and a high officer, who was amongst the spectators, just in front of us, cheered the soldier who had tumbled the lieutenant in this truly remarkable way. We have deliberately written this in the tenor of those who regard such proceedings with misgiving. But, in reality, it was not a lieutenant who was tumbled—but a sportsman, a player in the opposing team. There is no lieutenant in the field.

"Tommy Brown shouts to the titled officer, William FitzGerald, that he must pass the ball quicker. He attacks furiously a young man, who is a captain outside the chalked lines, and struggles with him till he has the ball. And if it is an officer who attempts to convert the try, it is because he is the right player for the task, not because he is higher in rank.

"We witnessed an incident which, here and elsewhere, might have led to Parliamentary debates; but which, on the field of the Y.M.C.A., simply caused a laugh. The same Scottish officer whom we mentioned above made a fine run, the same three-quarter rushed at him again, tumbled him by the heel grip—but he gripped too high, and seized the linen shorts of the officer. Well, anyway, a long jacket was quickly thrown round the lieutenant, and a moment or two later he was back in new 'shorts.' On the ground near the Hexham Abbey Hut (Y.M.C.A.) a party of sailors were engaged in some gardening task. When applause broke out they struck work, watched with enthusiasm, applauded vigorously, shouted—'Well played, sir,' and resumed their task.

"A curious psychology this of the Britisher, But we ask—'Is there, then, no discipline in the British Army? No insubordination? Is it less valiant?' There may be those who find these things strange, and others who find them idiotic; but we must not be blind to the great balancing factors. The psychology may be different, but we must remember that the sportive train of the Britisher is older."

CARLISLE RESULTS.

1.0—GOSSIP HOLME HURDLE RACE, £70. 2 m.
Mr. W. Egerton's b. c. NEWBURGH, by Holiday House—Lady Hester, 3, 10-0 ......T. Burns 1
Mr. M. Peacock's MEDALLION, 3, 10-0 A. Waudby 2
Major Renwick's DUNSMOOR, 3, 10-0 Watkinson 3
Also ran—Silver Zep (P. O. Doyle), Fiddleback (W. Hamilton), Braxina (R. Riley), King of Clubs (W. Hammett), Streak of Light (Mr. G. Cockton), Old Ard (Storie), Assignation (Owner), Familiarity (A. Brace), Desmology (J. Goswell), Canzonet (Threlfell), Little Snooks (J. Paxton), Loughbeg (P. Mullen). Off 1.5. (Winner trained by R. Armstrong.)
Betting—2 to 1 agst. King of Clubs, 7 to 2 Familiarity, 6 to 1 Little Snooks, 7 to 1 Medallion, 8 to 1 NEWBURGH, 100 to 8 Dunsmoor or any other.
Won by ten lengths; two lengths.

1.30—HARRABY STEEPLECHASE of 70 sovs. 2 m.
Major Watson's b. g. MAGADI, by Knight of Kilcash—Candle Fish, 6, 11-9 ....Waudby 1
Mr. H. H. Rose's TALLOW KNIGHT, 5, 12-0 Lyall 2
Also ran—Tilbury (J. Kay), Milburn (A. Thomson). Off 1.33. (Winner trained by J. Armstrong.)
Betting—7 to 4 on Tallow Knight, 5 to 1 agst. MAGADI, 6 to 1 any other.
Won by twenty lengths. Only two finished. Tilbury fell; Milburn refused.

2.0—DECEMBER HANDICAP HURDLE of 70 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. W. Renwick's b. g. WHITE MOUNTAIN, by White Magic—Mount Whistle, 4, 11-6 Hammett 1
Mr. C. Baron's MARSIN, 6, 11-2 ....T. Burns 2
Mr. F. Laing's JUGALIS, a, 10-8...O. Thomson 3
Also ran—Sun Orb (Mr. Cockton), Guinea Stamp (P. Mullen), Pivotal (Threlfell), Bethsaida (Watkinson), Pablo (J. Paxton), Ethereal (Mr. Mulcastle), Bold Knight (J. Goswell), Wild Fox (T. Cronery), Zeus (Waudby). Off 2.4. (Winner trained by Owner.)
Betting—Evens Marsin, 6 to 1 each agst. WHITE MOUNTAIN and Wild Fox, 7 to 1 each Jugalis and Pivotal, 8 to 1 Pablo, 100 to 8 Zeus or any other.
Won by a neck; ten lengths. Sun Orb was pulled up.

2.30—MOORHOUSE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 70 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. Smith's br. h. SCOTTISH ARCHER, by Sir Archibald—Scotch Brose, a, 11-11 ..Waudby 1
Mrs. Wybergh's BATTLE ROYAL, a, 11-0 Mullen 2
Mr. Charlton's ALWAYS READY, a, 10-9 Thomson 3
Also ran—Foxtrot (Watkinson), Athlea (Threlfell), Scotch Eagle (Paxton), Knockeffer (P. Grace), Caplan (H. Watkins), Scotty Rig (R. Lyall). Off at 2.34. (Winner trained by Peacock.)
Betting—5 to 2 agst. Foxtrot, 7 to 2 SCOTTISH ARCHER, 4 to 1 Knockeffer, 10 to 1 each Battle Royal, Always Ready or any other.
Won by five lengths; seven lengths. Foxtrot and Scotty Rig fell.

3.0—SCUGGAR SELLING HURDLE RACE of £70. 2 m.
Brig.-Gen. Rotton's ch. g. VESUVIUS, by Irishman—Gipsy Girl, 7, 12-0 ......Mr. J. Storie 1
Mr. G. Armstrong's DEBRETT, 5, 12-0 F. Armstrong 2
Mrs. Wybergh's THIEF, 4, 11-9 ....P. Mullen 3
Also ran—Big Bertha (W. Hammett). Off at 3.6. (Winner trained by J. Renwick.)
Betting—Evens VESUVIUS, 5 to 2 agst. Debrett, 7 to 2 Thief, 4 to 1 Big Bertha.
Won by seven lengths; ten lengths.

3.30—PENRITH STEEPLECHASE of £70. 3 m.
Mr. Johnstone's b. g. BANK HOLIDAY II., by Holiday House—Queen of the Rye, 8, 12-0 Waudby 1
Mr. Brennand's SOME DANCER, 8, 11-7 Watkinson 2
Mr. F. Gibson's FELIX II., 6, 12-0 A. Thomson 3
Also ran—De Combat (P. Mullen). Off at 3.30. (Winner trained by Coulthwaite.)
Betting—5 to 2 on BANK HOLIDAY II., 9 to 2 agst. Some Dancer, 6 to 1 De Combat, 8 to 1 Felix II.
Won by eight lengths; a bad third. De Combat fell.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Cobham Three-Year-Old Hurdle, Lingfield—Espino.
All engagements in Mr. M. Calmann's name—Cheap and Dear.
All engagements in Lady Douglas's name.—Sir Joshua.
All engagements in Lord Derby's name.—Peeping Tom, Bess o' the Barn and Field Azure.
Engagements in Mrs. Arthur James's name.—The Glider.
All engagements in Mr. John Watt's name.—The Borderer.
All engagements—Marla, Simple May, Oratrice, Land and Water and Minah.

BOXING.

THE ARMY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

KEEN FIGHTS AT THE CURRAGH.

After having been postponed from Wednesday night at Portobello, the All-Army Boxing Championships (preliminary rounds) were brought off last night at the Gymnasium, Curragh Camp. That this was a mistake was obvious from the attendance, which was not nearly so large as it would have been had Portobello been the venue.

The bouts, while falling below the standard of the same event last year, were, with few exceptions, interesting and well contested. The best fight of the night was that between Private McDonagh and Private Smyley. Smyley is a good boy, who did very well at the Eastern Command Championships recently, but he was no match for the conqueror of the Irish Flyweight Champion.

McDonagh adopted his usual tactics, and gave Smyley his way at first. In the succeeding rounds, however, he came back and scored decisively.

The Perry-Treacy fight was very good, as far as it went, but it ended in a disappointing fashion, when Treacy, who fought such a great fight with R. M. Hilliard at the Dublin University Tournament, had to retire.

Except where otherwise stated all the fights were over two 3-minute and one 4-minute rounds. Details:—

BANTAM WEIGHTS—FIRST ROUND.

Pte. McDonagh (Curragh) beat Pte. Smyley (Eastern). Smyley retired at the end of the second round. McDonagh fought cleverly, and completely out-generalling his man, scored with left and right, and was winning comfortably.

Pte. Uzell (G.H.Q.) beat Pte. O'Connell (Southern), on points. The winner's left was his strongest point, and, though O'Connell fought well, he was outboxed.

Pte. Metcalf (Curragh) beat Pte. O'Connell (Western), on points. The winner was cautioned for the way he ducked, but he was easily the better man, and punished O'Connell considerably. O'Connell rushed matters from the start, but soon slowed down.

Pte. Ryan (Eastern) knocked out Pte. Moane (G.H.Q.) in the first round. It was a poor fight and an easy k.o.

FEATHER-WEIGHTS—SEMI-FINALS.

Pte. Smith (Curragh) beat Sgt. Tobin (Southern) on points. The men were very well matched, and a draw would have been a more equitable result.

Pte. Brennan (Southern) beat Pte. Cullen (G.H.Q.) on points. Brennan attacked all through, and won decisively, scoring with rights and lefts to the head.

LIGHT-WEIGHTS—FIRST ROUND.

Pte. Clarke (Curragh) beat Pte. Mahoney (Southern). Mahoney put up a very poor show, and was well beaten on all counts.

Cpl. Perry (G.H.Q.) beat Pte. Treacy (Eastern). Treacy was leading well on points, though giving away a lot of weight, when he injured his thumb and retired.

Pte. Donohue (Eastern) beat Pte Hegarty (Curragh) on points. Hegarty started off well, but fell away. In the next two rounds Donohue, scoring with the right, gained a good win on points.

WELTER-WEIGHTS—FIRST ROUND.

Sgt. Dwyer (Southern) beat Pte. Brigdale (Curragh). These two should never have been matched, and Brigdale very wisely retired in the first round. It is very bad policy to pit a promising youngster against a man of Dwyer's calibre.

Pte. Washington (Eastern) beat Pte. Byrne (G.H.Q.). Byrne was the better boxer, but was not so fit as his opponent. It was a very close fight.

MIDDLE-WEIGHTS—FIRST ROUND.

Pte. M'Allnden (Eastern) beat Sgt. Furey (Curragh). Furey retired in the first round. The winner pressed from the start, and one or two stiff rights to the head were enough for his man.

MIDDLE-WEIGHTS—SEMI-FINAL.

Pte. Mostyn (Curragh) beat Pte. Seery (Southern). Seery retired in the first round. He was outclassed from the start, and Mostyn punished him badly with heavy rights to the body and face.

SPECIAL CONTESTS.

Six 2-Minute Rounds.—Pte. Cullen (A.S.I.) beat Pte. Egan. Egan retired in the fourth round. The loser under-rated his man, and though he came out best in the first round, lost heavily in the next three and took a lot of punishment.

Three 2-Minute Rounds.—Cpl. O'Shea (25th Batt.) beat Pte. Daly (15th Batt.) on points. The winner had the better of every round and well deserved the verdict.

Three 2-Minute Rounds.—Sgt. Brogan (Curragh) beat Pte. M'Caffrey. The latter retired in the second round. He was hopelessly outclassed, though very plucky, and Brogan scored at will.

The Championships will be concluded this evening, starting at 7 o'clock.

THE ARMY v. METROPOLITAN POLICE.

The fifth annual team boxing competition between the British Army (holders) and the Metropolitan Police for the challenge trophy presented by the Duke of York and Prince Henry was held last night at the Stadium Club, London. The Army were successful in three of five weights, and retained the trophy.

At a meeting of the National Hunt Committee, it was agreed unanimously that an expression of the sympathy of the Committee should be conveyed to Mr. T. P. King's family. The Stewards have appointed Sir William Bass as Steward, in place of the late Mr. King.

LINGFIELD.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

The fog has made racing impossible for the last two days, and at the moment the outlook is none too promising. It is to be hoped that racing will be possible, for quite an attractive programme is provided, and, as entries are quite good, some interesting sport is promised. The chief attraction is the Lingfield Open Steeplechase, in which Hastings has a very strong hand in Clashing Arms, Forewarned, and Superman. The first-named is an impetuous sort, who will one day let his backers down, added to which he does not, in my opinion, really get the distance, and I prefer Forewarned, who put up such a good fight against what was regarded by many as a handicap certainty in Mount Etna, and, though Progress, in receipt of 7lb., may present danger, my vote goes to Forewarned. Selections:—

Cowden Steeplechase—**Greenogue.**
Crowhurst Hurdle—**Kinsman.**
Lingfield Steeplechase—**Forewarned.**
Cobham Hurdle—**Ormada.**
Hever Hurdle—**Kinnaird.**
Covert Side Steeplechase—**Holdcroft.**

1.0—COWDEN SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.
CRAGGIE ROCK (Mr. T. Hartigan) C. Young 9 11 4
(The above has arrived.)
BEENERAY (Mr. G. F. Avila) G. Poole 13 11 4
GREENOGUE (Maj. D. Campbell) Westmorland 10 11 4
GLENGARRY II. (Mrs. Crichton) Private 10 11 4
COMMANDER SMITH (Mr. R. F. Good) J. Nightingall 9 11 4
CARROLSTOWN (Miss W. G. Knight) G. Bennett 8 11 4
HAVE A CARE (Maj. D. M. Methven) Powell 9 11 4
MY BATH (Mr. J. Pendarves) Pendarves 12 11 4
ARDGOUR (Mrs. G. N. Bennett) G. Bennett 6 11 4
TIM (Mr. J. W. Wood)..........Stanley 13 11 4
NED CARVER (Mr. H. E. Tattersall) G. Poole 10 11 4
THE SAINT IV (Mr. H. Warner) Bletsoe a 11 4
WOODSIDE LAD (Mrs. W. C. Earl) Private 6 10 11
MERRY MAN (Mrs. R. N. Willett) Willett 6 10 8
FINE YARN (Mrs. C. Stevens) Stevens 4 10 6

1.30—CROWHURST ALL-AGED HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.
GOLDEN DUKE (Mr. T. Richardson) E. Doyle 5 12 0
TUDOR KING (Mr. Courtland)...A. Law 4 11 7
SPIGOT LODGE (Lord Queenborough) Gore 3 10 2
(The above have arrived.)
GENERAL POST (Mr. H. J. Greville) Smyth 4 12 2
IRISH ELF (Mr. A. E. Aston) ..E. Doyle 5 12 0
JOSS-HOUSE (Mr. A. S. Chapman) J. Kelly 5 12 0
DRAGOON (Mr. H. Collins)...G. Bennett 5 12 0
WHITE PARK (Lady Edgar) ..Whitaker 5 12 0
FANCY MAN (Mr. T. A. Edge) G. Poole 7 12 0
CLOCHNABEN (Mr. W. Murray) McDougal 6 12 0
BELSIZE (Mr. P. W. Shaw) G. Bennett 6 12 0
COOLDRINAGH (Mrs. C. Stevens) Stevens 6 12 0
HARPENDEN (Mrs. S. Whitburn) Spittle 5 12 0
GOLDEN BRICK (Mr. T. W. Blenkiron) W. Nightingall 4 11 12
ZARA (Lady Edgar) ....Whitaker 4 11 12
DOWSER (Mr. G. Hooper) ......Private 4 11 12
IVYMOUNT (Sir Malcolm McAlpine) G. Poole 4 11 12
LEEDS UNITED (Mr. F. Martin) ..Pope 4 11 12
ROYAL SILVER (Mr. H. Mather) Larkin 4 11 12
SUNSONG (Mr. Adam Scott) .....A. Scott 4 11 12
KINSMAN (Mr. F. W. G. Weeden) Larkin 4 11 12
FOUNDATION (Mr. H. J. Boam) ..Dale 6 11 9
HOLIDAY HALL (Maj. Lyons) Hastings 5 11 9
LITTLE WAVELET (Mr. Norris) Rayson 5 11 9
GORGONIUS (Mr. T. Tagg).........Tagg 6 11 9
FLYING FRIAR (Mr. L. Collins) Private 4 11 7
MOUNT RIVERS (Maj. Furlong)...Kirk 4 11 7
LEASINGHAM ROSS (Mr. Groves) Mosley 4 11 7
CASTILE (Mr. T. Higgins).....Hackett 4 11 7
JEANSGRE (Mr. W. J. Rimell)...Rimell 4 11 7
ARGENTINE (Mr. E. Bates)...W. Payne 3 10 7
ARUNTIUS (Mrs. D'Arcy Baker) Martin 3 10 2
MUSTELINE (Mr. H. J. Delaforce) W. Nightingall 3 10 2
SINSAMA (Mr. W. Gresson) F. Hartigan 3 10 2
LORDI (Mr. A. M. Jones)......H. Turner 3 10 2
HAREWICK (Mr. A. Prince)......Hedges 3 10 2
MAGENTA (Mrs. A. Saunders)...Clement 3 10 2
RETRIEVE (Mr. Adam Scott)......A. Scott 3 10 2

2.0—LINGFIELD OPEN STEEPLECHASE of 300 sovs. 3 m. Age. st. lb.
CLASHING ARMS (Lt.-Col. W. Anthony) Hastings 9 11 10
MUSIC HALL (Mr. H. Kershaw) Anthony a 11 10
BEGGAR'S END (Ld. Queenborough) Gore 9 11 3
(The above have arrived.)
FOREWARNED (Mr. Bankier)...Hastings 9 12 5
ALCAZAR (Mr. W. M'Alpine) G. Poole 8 12 0
SUPER MAN (Mr. Bankier)...Hastings 9 11 10
PRIDE OF MANISTER (Mr. L. F. Collins) Private a 11 10
GEM (Maj. C. W. M. Norrie) G. Bennett 8 11 10
CUCKMERE LAD (Mr. F. Strange) T. Wilson 9 11 10
PROGRESS (Ld. Westmorland) Westmorland 6 11 10
GRENHURST (Ld. Westmorland) Westmorland 6 11 10
HAWKER (Mr. T. B. Bennett) W. Payne a 11 3
SIR HUON (Ld. Woolavington) ..Gore a 11 3
HIGHBALL (Maj. V. E. Mocatta) S. Bennet a 11 3

2.30—COBHAM THREE-YEAR-OLD SELLING HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. 1½ m. st. lb.
POMMINETTA (Mr. A. E. Aston) E. Doyle 10 5
PRINCESS VI (Mr. J. H. Batho) ..Batho 10 5
FOGGIA (Mr. A. Boutall, jun.) ....Higgs 10 5
POSTAL ORDER (Mr. J. A. Clement) Clement 10 5
SONGSTER (Mr. D. M. Gant) ....Hare 10 5
SLOVAIC (Baroness Zouche) ......A. Law 10 5
(The above have arrived.)
SPEAR O' WAR (Mr. G. N. Bennett) G. Bennett 10 5
ESPINO (Mr. G. N. Bennett) G. Bennett 10 5
SHANGHAI (Sir Henry Bird)...Hammond 10 5
CLENT (Mr. R. Brendon) ....W. Escott 10 5
GLEN ALPHA (Ld. Chas. Cavendish) T. Leader 10 5
BYPO (Mr. Siegmond Cohen) ....Tabor 10 5
PRINCESS PHOEBE (Mr. F. Collinson) Collinson 10 5
ALIETTE (Mr. T. A. Edge) ......G. Poole 10 5
BARBEROSSA (Mr. T. Fitton).....T. Fitton 10 5
CLEAR EYE (Col. B. FitzGerald) J. M. Bell 10 5
FIRE STONE (Mr. S. Galtrey) G. Bennett 10 5
LESTONTA (Mr. F. T. Halse) W. Nightingall 10 5
SILVER MINE (Mr. F. Hartigan) F. Hartigan 10 5
OLIVEBURY (Mr. E. Humphreys) Smyth 10 5
LAMBROS (Mr. A. C. Ioannou) W. Nightingall 10 5
APPLE FOOL (Lt.-Col. C. M. Jickling) Kemp 10 5
JOE JUNIOR (Mr. A. M. Jones) H. Turner 10 5
ORMADA (Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne) Powell 10 5
MAY B. (Mr. W. H. McAlpine) ....Poole 10 5
MAY MOR (Mr. Methven) ....Powell 10 5
FAIRYQUICK (Mrs. J. Putnam) G. Poole 10 5
PRINCESS PICTON (Mr. S. Riall) H. Turner 10 5
PORPHYRIAN (Mr. W. R. Sadler) Butchers 10 5
BLACK JERRY (Mr. F. N. Smith) Bletsoe 10 5
MY JOYS (Miss A. Vincent) ....H. Hedges 10 5
IRISH ANGEL (Capt. A. H. Wheeler) Kirk 10 5

3.0—HEVER HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.
PLAYFUL (Mr. E. H. Tattersall) G. Poole 8 13 0
WHITE RONALD (Mr. R. McAlpine) G. Poole 10 12 8
CHILTINGTON (Capt. R. M. Thompson) Thompson 5 12 6
PUCK (Mrs. A. H. Wheeler).......Kirk 6 12 4
PATSY (Mr. Whitbread).......S. Bennet 5 11 12
ANIMATED (Sir Ernest Wills) De Winton 4 11 12
PHAT (Mr. W. G. Knight)...G. Bennett 5 11 6
OH! DICK (Mrs. C. Stevens)......Stevens 5 11 5
BRANDYBALL (Mrs. John Howeson) W. Nightingall 5 11 2
KINNAIRD (Mr Eric Platt) F. Hartigan 4 11 1
SAFE IN BED (Mr. Scott)......A. Scott 10 11 1
ST. JAGO (Mr. Blackwell)...Blackwell 8 11 1
ITALIAN SUMMER (Mr. G. N. Bennett) ....G. Bennett 7 11 0
BATHLUCK (Ld. Londesborough) Private 6 11 0
FINANCIER (Mr. Hutton)...G. Poole 7 11 0
MORE PRIDE (Mr Bennett) G. Bennett 4 10 13
ANTIMAGIC (Mr. Osmond).......Larkin 6 10 9
SOME DANCE (Mr. Stewart).......Kirk 7 10 7
MAGIC ROD (Mr Delmege).......Luby 8 10 6
GREEN LABEL (Mr. E. H. Bartholomew) ....J. Kelly 7 10 6
NEILSTON (Mr. A. Prince).......Hedges 4 10 6

3.30—COVERT SIDE STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 2 m. Age. st. lb.
NORTH WALTHAM (Mr. P. R. L. Savill) A. Law 7 11 11
HOLDCROFT (Mr. Sutton) ..Hastings 10 11 11
MERRY MINER (Mr. K. W. Milnes) E. Doyle 8 10 11
(The above have arrived.)
ALCAZAR (Mr. W. H. McAlpine) G. Poole 8 11 11
SNAPPER (Mr. W. Murray)...McDougal 6 11 11
ARDUOUS (Major C. W. M. Norrie) G. Bennett 7 11 11
MAXTOI (Mr. Eric Platt)...F. Hartigan 6 11 11
WORD OF HONOUR (Lt.-Col. E. R. Wayland) ....Blacker 5 11 11
LOVELY BIRD (Mr. G. Knight) Stanley 7 11 9
TOP LIGHT (Lt.-Col. D. C. Part) Hastings 6 10 11
CAPDINA (Mr. R. Gore)...........Gore 5 10 5
WALLSEND (Mr. W. H. Cameron) Cameron 4 10 0
GREENLAWN (Mr. K. Goode) S. Bennet 4 10 0
SUNCIRCLE (Sir Mathew Wilson) W. Nightingall 4 10 0
STAR DONOVAN (Mr. Quinlan) ..Killalee 4 10 0
JEANSGEE (Mr. W. J. Rimell) ..Rimell 4 10 0
CHOKI-DAH (Mr. M. B. Sunderland) S. Bennet 4 10 0
HORSE MARINE (Mr. H. Weld) Private 4 10 0
CROSS HANDS (Ld. Westmorland) Westmorland 4 10 0

CHELMSFORD MEETING ABANDONED.

Although there was only a slight mist over the course during the early hours of the morning, the fog became more dense, and, in the circumstances, it was found necessary to abandon the meeting.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

December.	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 13	Priestown Cross-roads....	1.30
THE KILDARE.		
Saturday, 13	Courtown Gate	11. 0
THE MEATH.		
To-day	Dunshaughlin Poorhouse...	11. 0
Saturday, 13	Hayes's Post Office	11. 0

BRAY HARRIERS.

These hounds will meet to-morrow at Carrickmines Station at 1.30.

DUNSANY HARRIERS.

The meet fixed for Monday next, December 15th, at Rathfeigh has been cancelled.

HILLSIDE HARRIERS.—Meet at Rathfarnham to-morrow at 2 o'clock.

EAST GALWAY HOUNDS.—December—Monday, 15th, Killtormer; Friday, 19th, Green Door; Tuesday, 23rd, Clonburn School; Friday, 26th, Eyrecourt Castle; Monday, 29th, Killimore. January—Friday, 2nd, Kellysgrove House; Monday, 5th, Moorfield X; Friday, 9th, Clonfert House. At 11 o'clock.

WATERFORD HOUNDS.—December — To-day (Friday), 12th, Rathgormack; Tuesday, 16th, Halfway House, Passage road; Friday, 19th, Durrow; Tuesday, 23rd, Gulcagh Cross; Friday, 26th, Tramore. At 11 o'clock a.m.

Queen's County Hunt will meet as follows:—December—Tuesday, 16th, Ballacolla; Friday, 19th, Blandsfort Cross Roads; Tuesday, 23rd, Peafield; Friday, 26th, Rahenahone. At 11 o'clock.

WARD UNION STAGHOUNDS.

These hounds were able to keep their appointment on Wednesday at Batterstown, after having cancelled their previous week's fixtures owing to the exceedingly heavy state of the ground. On this occasion, however, a thick fog, which did not make the early morning prospects very encouraging, gradually lifted, though it probably accounted for the comparatively small field assembled at the meet. Enlarging at Ribstown, the stag wheeled back from The Hatchet, and crossing the Portrane road, enabled the pack to get away with a flying start on a very hot scent. Running at a great pace through the heavy bottoms of Cappagh, they crossed the Black Hall road near Lismahon, and led a hard-riding field direct to Ballymagiasson and bearing right-handed by Rowanstown fox-covert almost to Walnstown. Before reaching this point, they swung to the left through Cookstown and crossed the Dunboyne road to Rathregan, where they turned to the left at the railway line and ran parallel with it to Parsonstown. Crossing the road here in front of Batterstown Station they ran on by Piper Hill before turning right-handed and crossing the railway into Mrs. McKeever's lands, and running by Pelletstown fox-covert to Clonross, where the first check occurred after a flying forty minutes. Quickly recovering the line, however, the horses gained but little respite as they hunted away over Rath Hill and through Mr. Delany's farm by Dunshaughlin to the Poorhouse, where they swung over the main road into Ballymurphy, and ran by the left of the fox-covert across the famous Poorhouse Drain to Ballymore, before checking again. Here the horses were dead-beaten and the majority of the field pulled off. A few followers, however, held on with the pack as they hunted into Lagore, where the huntsman was obliged to stop them and leave the stag an outlier near Ratoath village, after an excellent day's sport.

THE MEATH HOUNDS.

Sport in Meath last week did not amount to very much, and ended in a stoppage on Friday, 5th, when the meet was cancelled on account of the wet state of the country. The meet on Tuesday, 2nd, was responsible for a nice gallop, but a very dense fog made it difficult to keep with hounds. Cross Keys, Drumree, was the fixture, and Culmullen provided a good fox, who went away over the bottoms towards Grange, and continued on a right-handed curve, but was not accounted for at the end of about 30 minutes. A lot of hounds got lost in the fog, and it took time to redeem them, after which Kilcarty was drawn, and held, but little came of it beyond the jumping of many big doubles by the "thrusters." A find in Curtistown later provided a short gallop to ground.

Monday of this week being a religious holiday, hounds did not meet, but on Tuesday resumed at Ardsallagh, which was itself blank. As hounds were being put into Churchtown a fox broke, and was hunted fast by Curraghtown House and over the bottoms to Shambo, where he turned right-handed and was joined by a comrade. Hounds stuck well to the original one by Rataine, back through Churchtown, and killed him—a good twenty minutes. Neither Philpotstown nor Rathnally held (though there were two brace in the latter last time). However, Carrolstown made up for this with a leash, one of which gave a capital thirty minutes by Tulleyard on the left to Moymet, and back left-handed to ground near Rathnally. Good holding scent all day, and any amount of grief for "the Nimrods."

Hounds hunted on Wednesday, 10th, at Lobinstown in lieu of Monday, when there was a good-sized field out, including the Master of the Louth Hounds and Mrs. Filgate. From Ricetown, a kill was effected in about two fields, and hounds blooded, in spite of which they were not able to catch a good fox found immediately after in Ricetown Bog, who stood up before them for an hour and twenty-five minutes and saved his brush. The line taken was by Yellow House, over the bottoms to the back of Rathkenny, then left-handed by Clogher to Parsonstown, but, short of the demesne, a left-handed turn brought us past Ricetown (on the left) up to Bengerstown, which this stout fox ran round, and went on with Lobinstown chapel close on the right, over the Slane-Ardee road at Barnwelltown (a few fields from the Louth covert of Footstown), where scent failed. It was a long jog back to Headstown, where the occupant was headed and found a shelter. The finale was from Mountainstown, which held a brace. The selected one took us at top speed towards Bogtown, but, short of it, turned back past the place of finding and crossed the road, but was headed at the railway. A hearty word of thanks is here due to the good engine-driver, who pulled up his train and saved probably a lot of the pack. The line was quickly recovered, but only to mark in the bottoms near Bogtown. The time was twenty-five minutes, during which hounds ran well, but from a riding point of view, the effort was superstrenuous, and a lot of horses had to be "dug out."

To Mr. Arthur Matthews, who owns Ricetown covert and bog, the Meath Hunt owe a debt of gratitude for the way he has had the latter drained. He is a good asset to the chase.

LOUTH HOUNDS.

A SPLENDID HUNT.

Meeting at Beaulieu on Tuesday, the 9th, the Louth had another fine hunt. Finding in the Pond Wood, hounds ran into Newtown, and crossing the Drogheda road, went on, pointing for Listoke; then right-handed back towards Newtown. Being headed coming on to the road here, there was a short check, but, hitting off the line, the pack settled down to run hard towards Cartown, then right-handed as if for Termonfeckin, but turning left-handed again, ran on straight into Blackhall. Our fox was viewed here just in front of hounds, who, skirting the long wood, went on over Castlecoe Hill and down the valley to the sea coast near Mayne. Then on by Crusetown, Lurganboy, and Seafield to Dunany, where, turning short back, they ran into Seafield to ground in an old breeding earth. Time, about one hour 45 minutes; the point, 9½ miles; and hounds must have covered 14 miles as they ran.

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GOLF.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.—The annual general meeting was held in No. 7 T.C.D. on Wednesday, Professor H. Pringle, M.D., in the chair. The following officers were elected for 1924-25:—President, Mr. H. Thrift, F.T.C.D.; Vice-Presidents (in addition to those re-elected), Sir Stanley Cochrane, Bart., Rev. W. A. Barker, Mr. James Henderson, Rev. J. R. MacDonald, Dr. Maut Martin; captain, Mr. A. D. Pringle. Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. S. Davis, 18 T.C.D. Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. S. MacMaster, 24 T.C.D. Committee—Dr. L. E. J. Werner, Messrs. D. J. Collins, G. Chance, W. J. A. MacMahon, D. F. Walsh.

GRANGE.—To-morrow — December medals; strokes.

HERMITAGE.—Result of draw Saturday Cup Final to-morrow:—J. J. O'Sullivan v. Dr. Kissane; E. Guinan v. J. M. Doyle; J. Hanlon v. L. G. Sherlock; J. D. Carter v. F. W. Warren; Jas. Clarke v. C. Duff; A. Burke v. P. Beattie; J. Nugent v. D. J. O'Keeffe; H. Whelan v. J. J. McGowran; B. Byrne v. J. J. O'Sullivan; R. J. Feely v. T. Fallon; J. S. Scott v. W. J. Towell; J. A. Dunne v. J. F. Doyle.

MILLTOWN (Ladies' Branch)—Result of December medal:—Class I.—Mrs. Power; Class II.—Mrs. Colgan.

MALAHIDE—Lady Talbot de Malahide will present the president's prizes at the Clubhouse at 6 o'clock to-morrow.

BILLIARDS.

SMITH v. REECE.

Smith showed much better form in his match with Reece at Piccadilly, London, yesterday afternoon, and made up most of the ground he lost last night. He scored 991 to 456, the averages being 43 and 20. Smith's best breaks were 125, 117, 172 and 140, Reece's best runs being 142 and 137. Interval scores:—Reece (rec. 5,000), 3,135; Smith (in play), 5,192.

Reece played brilliantly at night, and outpointed his rival by 854 to 605, the averages being 77 and 50 respectively. Reece's big effort was a splendid 675, compiled mostly at the spot end, and including several runs of nursery cannons. Smith's most notable breaks were 174, 129 and 306. Closing scores:—Reece (rec. 5,000) (in play), 8,989; Smith, 5,797.

NEWMAN v. INMAN.

Newman made further headway against Inman in their match at Liverpool yesterday afternoon, scoring 870 against 338, and getting Inman 354 behind his points. The best breaks were 478 by Newman and 52 by Inman. Interval scores:—Inman (rec. 4,000) (in play), 7,246; Newman, 3,912.

At night Newman scored 621 to 316, averaging 45 against 25, to further reduce Inman's lead to 3,108. The best breaks were 244 and 173 by Newman, and 190 and 133 by Inman. Closing scores:—Inman (rec. 4,000), 7,562; Newman (in play), 4,534.

RUGBY.

OXFORD'S VISIT.

WANDERERS WELL BEATEN.

FINE BACK PLAY BY DARK BLUES.

The Dark Blues fresh from their great win over Cambridge on Tuesday were in merry mood with Wanderers at Lansdowne road yesterday, and in a game in which they experienced one or two anxious moments early in the second half, they ultimately achieved a very easy win by 39 points to 17. From the outset it was apparent that Wanderers' backs were no match for the opposing lot, and no matter what part of the field the play was there was always the danger of an Oxford score. The Dark Blues also realised this, for they indulged in all sorts of fantastic passing, even on their own line, and at one stage it looked as if they had over-done this part of the business. This was early in the second half, when Wanderers turned a deficit of 10 points into a lead of one point, and there were obvious signs that the Dark Blues did not like going down to stop the Wanderers' forward rushes. It was then a question if the Wanderers forwards could sustain their form to such an extent as to counterbalance the undoubted superiority of the Oxford backs. They were unable to do so, and, with the backs failing badly in their attempts to stop the opposing backs, the concluding stages saw a regular rout of the home side.

The Oxford backs gave a splendid exhibition of passing movements, which was a treat to look at, but one would like to see a sturdier defence opposed to them before being satisfied that they were really the great players they looked to be yesterday. There was something suggestive of Cooke, Nicholls, Steele, Parker, and the other New Zealand backs about their play, but where they differed greatly from the latter was their absolute failure to cope with anything in the nature of a decent attacking movement either by backs or forwards. Wanderers were badly handicapped through the absence of D. Kennedy, their full-back, who would probably have converted two or three of the tries, and might have stopped a couple of the visitors' tries. His substitute, Porter, was not a success; nor for that matter did any of the Wanderers' backs, except Murray and Gillespie, shape like first-class backs, if the Oxford lot are to be taken as standard. Murray certainly enhanced his reputation, and compared favourably with Strong, whose task was a much easier one, since his forwards were smarter at heeling the ball, and the men behind him better able to avail themselves of the chances given them. Gillespie during the first half was unreliable, but after the interval was in tip-top form, and frequently ran through the Oxford defence. Hallaran, who by the way was playing for an Irish club for the first time, led the Wanderers forwards in fine style, and the other seven responded well to his calls. The pick were Potterton, West, Smith, and Ackland.

King-Turner, the Oxford full-back, was not often called upon, but did nothing wrong, and of a three-quarter line which outclassed the Wanderers four Macpherson, Jacob, and Aitken were all equally clever and fast. The half-backs did not impress to the same extent, their play being more or less of the obvious type, and all forwards' best work was in the tight, where all got down in compact style, and heeled smartly and cleanly. Wordsworth, Berkeley, and Roughead were most prominent in the loose.

Wanderers' forwards, by loose bustling tactics, early carried play inside the Oxford 25, and when the Dark Blues' backs broke away. Raymond's in-pass was knocked on. A penalty kick to Wanderers gave the home side a chance of opening the scoring, but Potterton's kick fell short of the mark. Still Wanderers continued to press, and Murray, kicking the ball out of Strong's hands, made further ground. When inside their own 25 Oxford backs started passing, Strong and Kittermaster, opening out for Macpherson, who ran to Porter, and then transferred to Jacob, who had a clear run in for a try, which Berkeley converted after about ten minutes' play. Smart play by Murray and Greer kept Oxford inside their 25, but Oxford backs, taking advantage of weak Wanderers' tackling, broke away, and Raymond, after a long run, passed to Jacob, who went over the line, but, apparently not wishing to score himself, threw the ball to Wordsworth, the latter grounding for a try. Berkeley missed an easy shot at goal. Wanderers' forwards continued to keep the play for the most of the time inside the Oxford 25, and Gillespie, kicking over the line, a lucky bound of the ball enabled Collins to score, but Potterton could not add the extra points. Another Oxford score followed almost immediately, and again the movement was initiated in their own territory. A sharp passing movement let Jacob in possession, and the wingman, handing off, Porter crossed far out. Berkeley, with a great kick, converted. On resuming, play again settled inside the Oxford half, and Fidler, changing down a kick by Aitken, the ball was picked up by Poff, who scored, but Gillespie's kick went astray. The weakness of the Wanderers' backs in defence was apparent again a few minutes later, when Macpherson, making an opening, Jacob strode past Porter to score. Berkeley missed the kick at goal, and at half-time Oxford led by 2 goals 2 tries (16 points) to 2 tries (6 points).

Wanderers' forwards opened the second half with a fine loose rush right up to the Oxford goal, and hardly had a scrimmage been formed when Gillespie slipped away and raced in for a soft try, but made a bad attempt to convert. Just at this stage Wanderers' forwards were playing a great game, and a movement, in which Rose, Poff, and West joined was only pulled up just outside the Oxford line. The forwards rushed away again, and Gillespie, cutting through, sent out a loose pass from which Ackland gathered and scored, Hallaran this time missing the kick. Wanderers' forwards continued to dominate the game, and in a rush in which West, Smith and Hallaran were prominent, the last-named added the fifth try far out near the touch line. Murray, who was now entrusted with the kick, brought off a great goal with his left foot, and Wanderers obtained a lead of 17 points to 16. This lead they were not destined to hold for any considerable time, however; for after passing in the Oxford 25, Aitken receiving from Macpherson, went clear away and scored a splendid try. Raymond converted, and from this point onwards the match was always safe for Oxford. Wanderers were penalised near their 25 line, and Berkeley landed a goal. Then Jacob raced round Porter for another try, Raymond converting, and Aitken, following up a kick, got the touch and converted himself, while in the last minute the same player broke clear away and grounded under the posts for a try, to which he also added the extra points. Result:—

Oxford University—7 goals (1 penalty) 2 tries (39 points).
Wanderers—1 goal 4 tries (17 points).

Wanderers—C. N. Porter; E. M. Greer, H. J. Rose, D. Collins, F. S. Poff; P. Murray, J. Gillespie; C. H. Ackland, A. M. Buchanan, J. H. Fidler, C. F. Hallaran, H. N. Potterton, R. D. Ryland, W. B. Smith, T. West.

Oxford University—C. J. King-Turner; R. L. Raymond, G. G. Aitken, G. P. S. Macpherson, H. P. Jacob; H. J. Kittermaster, W. I. N. Strong; C. R. Wordsworth, A. C. Valentine, A. de H. Boyd, W. K. Berkeley, C. Caiger, W. B. Preston, A. F. Heppenstall, W. N. Roughead.

Referee—Mr. T. Bell.

NEW ZEALAND (20) V. WARWICKSHIRE (0).

A crowd estimated at 25,000 people gathered at Coventry yesterday for the visit of the New Zealand team, and, although they saw Warwickshire well beaten by 1 goal and 5 tries to nothing, a thoroughly enjoyable game afforded compensations. While Southern England was enveloped in fog, the weather in the Midlands was bright and fine, though rather cold. Warwickshire certainly gave a very plucky display. In the face of great pressure their tackling was fine, and in the loose they were almost equal to the All Blacks. Coulson, Evans, Howell, and C. Streather were always very prominent at forward, while in the three-quarter line Pemberton and Wale did many clever things. The County came through the first half with considerable credit, but subsequently the visitors, becoming more aggressive, held the upper hand, except for a few brief intervals. The forwards gave the backs many chances, and skilful passing bewildered their opponents. On the right wing Steel ran with great power, and he had the satisfaction of scoring three tries. He was a very difficult man to stop. Still, all the backs did excellent work, while at full-back Nepia, though not having a great deal of work, hardly ever made a mistake, and his kicking was strong and accurate.

Fine forward play by Warwickshire gave the All Blacks some trouble at first; but they attacked in turn by short passing, and Steel ran over, Nepia adding the goal points. The County defence gave a stubborn display against subsequent pressure, but before half-time Hart added an unconverted try. Although Warwickshire tackled very keenly they found the visitors too clever for them in the second half. Within a few minutes of the game being resumed Paewai registered a third try, and later Steel crossed the home line twice, McGregor meeting with success in between. Nepia, who took each of the place kicks, failed to place a goal. Result:—

New Zealand—1 goal 5 tries (20 points).
Warwickshire—Nil.

Teams.

Warwickshire—O. Hicks (Coventry); J. M. Wale (Coventry), H. J. Pemberton (Coventry), F. Wood (Nuneaton), and Ivor Davies (Nuneaton); A. P. Wayte (Richmond) and G. W. Wood (Nuneaton); A. H. Evans (Coventry), T. Coulson (Coventry), R. V. Howell (Coventry), C. W. Streather (Nuneaton), T. Carter (Coventry), N. J. Pugh (Coventry), W. J. Streather (Nuneaton), and F. Coleman (Nuneaton).

New Zealand—G. Nepia; J. Steel, H. W. Brown, and A. Hart; L. Paewai and N. P. McGregor; W. C. Dalley and C. G. Porter; A. White, A. H. West, C. Brownlie, I. H. Harvey, Q. Donald, W. R. Irvine, and M. J. Brownlie.

LEINSTER V. ULSTER.

W. P. Collopy and W. S. Collis have declared off the Leinster team to play against Ulster at Lansdowne road to-morrow (Saturday), and their places will be taken by A. Spain (University College) and I. Stuart (Dublin University).

Clubs are requested to note that all stewards should be at Lansdowne road at 12.30 to-morrow (Saturday).

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE.

Dublin University III. v. College Classical Society, College Park, 2.30.

TO-MORROW'S FIXTURES.

Leinster v. Ulster (Senior Interprovincial), Lansdowne road, 2.45.
Lansdowne v. Oxford University. Lansdowne road, 1 o'c.
Knock v. Old Wesley, Belfast.
Malone v. Palmerston. Belfast.
Garryowen v. Cork Constitution (M.S.L.).
Combined Services v. New Zealand. Twickenham.

Dublin University III. v. College Classical Society, in College Park, at 2.30 to-day. The following will represent the College Classical Society:—A. C. Strahan; R. E. McGuire, W. S. Cunningham, A. H. L. Fletcher, A. D. Pringle; H. C. Baker, R. C. Ellis; A. W. Bayne (capt.), J. R. Ferguson, — Frewen, A. H. Hillis, I. E. Jones, E. I. Johnston, W. A. Newman, A. N. Other.

HOCKEY.

PORTRANE v. SHAMROCKS.—Played at Portrane on a heavy ground, and resulted in a win for the home team by 5 goals to 2.

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COURSING.

KILMOREY CUP.

CONCLUDING TRIALS AT MOURNE PARK.

MALONE'S EASY VICTORY.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

KILKEEL, Thursday Night.

Mr. Harry Mussen, of Dunmurry, won the Earl of Kilmorey's Cup at Mourne Park with Malone, which ran in the nomination of his son. It was a comparatively easy victory which the son of Staff-Officer and Denise achieved, but so hard run was the victor by a stag of a hare that he was picked up in a state of complete collapse, and it was some hours before he had recovered.

It was the most distressing course of the meeting; in fact, no more severe trial has been witnessed on a coursing ground in this country for years, and regarding it as a test of greyhound merit, pure and simple, it was a fitting wind up to a very successful meeting.

Glandore Boy was in some respects unlucky to be beaten in the second round by what was one of the shortest slips of the meeting. All through the slips were unusually long, and in the generality of the courses it was a test of speed for fully four hundred yards up that long, tiring rise. Had Glandore Boy got even an average slip he would likely have survived the spin with Washing Day, which was then decisively beaten by the ultimate winner.

Marching Onward went to slips for the deciding course with Malone, but it was practically a one-sided affair for a long time, Malone piling up points, and it was not until the Dunmurry greyhound had registered an almost unbeatable lead that his opponent began to get to work. Then ensued a great trial, and once it looked as if Malone were about to give up, but he recovered in grand style, and when eventually the hare beat them he was a very easy, if well pumped out, winner.

Fine Time qualified for the Breeders' Stakes, but much more impressive was the displays of Crockard, who cleared his path to victory when he overcame Gravitation, which is rather a useful puppy. Messrs. M'Alinden divided the Kilkeel Stakes with two smart bitch puppies in M'Cloud's Reel and More Pride; and the Rostrevor Stakes went to Castlebellingham, Miss J. M. Smith's Service Kit making light of the opposition.

TRIAL STAKES—For 7 puppies. Winner, £10; second, £4.
II.
Mr. T. Timmins's f. d. Fine Time (Dundavin—Clonagh Cross) beat Mr. J. Baird's f. b. Caneybreagh Colleen (Glorious Event—Gurtnamona).

BALLYROGAN STAKES—For 12 dog puppies. Winner, £17 10/-; second, £7 10/-; third, £3.
II.
Brown Label beat Dunavin.
The Trowler beat Murphy's Melody
Crockard beat Gravitation.
III.
Brown Label beat The Trowler.
Crockard a bye.
IV.
Mr. P. Muckian's bd. Crockard (Chicarro—Cissy Again) beat Mr. H. Bell's f. Brown Label (Royal Dictator—Blighty Again).

KILKEEL STAKES—For 12 bitch puppies. Winner £18. second £8, third £3.
II.
Silver Seal beat Country Life.
McCloud's Reel beat Northern Headland.
More Pride beat Sandonia.
III.
McCloud's Reel beat Silver Seal.
More Pride a bye.
Messrs. H. and T. McAlinden's bd. McCloud's Reel (Dark Ocean—Merrie Musik) and their w. and bd. More Pride (Lively Tune — Flambeau IV.) divided.

KILMOREY CHALLENGE CUP (presented by Lord Kilmorey)—For 25 all-ages. Winner £50 and Cup, second £20, two dogs £9 each, three dogs £4 each.
II.
Malone a bye. Muckamore drawn.
Dornie beat Irish Boy.
Washing Day beat Glandore Boy.
Midnight Sniper beat Lisniskey Turn.
Marching Onward beat Murdock M.
Mountain Wave beat Curragh Breeze.
Misty Wave, a bye.
III.
Malone beat Dornie.
Washing Day beat Midnight Sniper.
Marching Onward beat Misty Wave.
Mountain Wave a bye.
IV.
Malone beat Washing Day.
Marching Onward beat Mountain Wave.
V.
Mr. H. A. G. Mussen ns. r. f. d. Malone (Staff Officer—Denise) beat Mr. T. Timmins ns. r. f. d. Marching Onward (Victorious Ally—Flying Low).

ROSTREVOR STAKES—For 17 all-ages. Winner £22, second £9, third £4, two dogs £2 10/- each.
II.
Sir Knight beat Sporting Blood.
Service Kit beat Bob McBride.
Sherry's Gift beat Earl of Lisbane.
Weslan Lass beat Battina.
Maid of Donacloney a bye.
III.
Service Kit beat Sir Knight.
Maid of Donacloney beat Sherry's Gift.
Weslan Lass a bye.
IV.
Service Kit a bye.
Maid of Donacloney beat Weslan Lass.
V.
Miss J. M. Smith's bk. d. Service Kit (Victorious Ally—Damorra) beat Mr. Timmons's bd. b. Maid of Donacloney (Mourne Mountain—Dreaming Still).

ARDPATRICK AND KILFINANE—SECOND DAY.

BRAVE SHOW'S WONDERFUL RECORD.

The weather was again beautifully fine for the closing stages of the Greenall Cup Meeting at Kilmallock, and though the attendance showed some improvement on that of Wednesday it was still not as big as in former years. The coursing was again excellent, and right through some very fine trials were witnessed, hares in all cases standing up well and in a very large percentage of cases beating their pursuers.

While everyone recognised from the start that nothing was going as well as Brave Show, it always had to be borne in mind that to succeed he must raise no less than twelve flags. He did it, however, and has thereby established a record which will probably never be beaten. As a youngster he won a 32-puppy stake at Tuam and divided a smaller stake at Carrick-on-Suir. In his second season he won a Greenall Cup and the Irish Plate, and now, in his third season, he has won an Irish Cup and a second Greenall Cup, so that he has earned a rest which, doubtless, a popular owner will give him. He did not experience much difficulty in disposing of Lodger, but against Odd Boy he was inclined to shoulder his game at the finish. Subsequently, however, he easily put paid to the account of Coolnamuck Boy after a three lengths' lead, and dog and owner were the recipients of a great ovation.

The course between What's Next and Odd Boy was an interesting one. The first-named was showing slightly in front, but stumbled, and the young dog was three lengths to the good for the turn, going on to win comfortably. The two maiden stakes were run out, but the others ended in divisions.

THE GREENALL CUP—For 25 all-ages. Winner, £55 and Cup (presented by Sir Gilbert Greenall, C.V.O.), to be won outright; runner-up, £20; third and fourth, £10 each; three dogs, £5 each; six dogs, £2 10/- each.
III.
Brave Show beat Lodger.
Odd Boy beat What's Next.
Coolnamuck Boy beat King Karl.
Clunagh Jazz a bye.
IV.
Brave Show beat Odd Boy.
Coolnamuck Boy beat Clunagh Jazz.
V.
Mr. T. D. O'Sullivan's bk. d. Brave Show (Tip-Top VIII.—Show Girl) beat Mr W. J. Quinn ns. w. f. d. Coolnamuck Boy (Gros Abu—Coolnamuck Lady).

THE ARDPATRICK STAKES—For 12 dog puppies. Winner, £20; runner-up, £7 10/-; third dog, £2 10/-.
III.
Curious Light a bye, Garrycloyne drawn.
Fair Fashion a bye.
Stakes divided without running the bye.

THE LOOBAGH STAKES—For 14 bitch puppies. Winner, £22; runner-up, £8; two dogs, £2 10/- each.
III.
Leading Light beat Coursing Chat.
April beat Cushea.
Stakes divided.

KILFINANE STAKES—For 16 all-ages. Winner £25, second £10, third and fourth £2 10/- each.
Mr. A. Watson's Beauty's Fancy beat Mr. T. O'Sullivan's Cherry Steeple.
Mr. T. Ryan's Slieve Reagh beat Miss N. Walsh's White Fox.
Mr. J. Howard's Hot Coffee beat Mr. M. J. O'Connor's Comforter.
Mr. D. Ryan's War Cry IV. beat Mr. D. O'Connell's Top Gallant.
Mr. T. M'Grath's Polish Prince beat Mr. J. T. Guihan's Glenoge.
Mr. M. J. O'Leary's Over Lap beat Mr. P. J. O'Sullivan's Sober Kit.
Mr. E. O'Carroll's Fly Style beat Mr. C. Morrissey's Oakfront.
Mrs. J. Newman's Maureen Bawn II. beat Mr. P. Creagh's Biddy Moriarty.
II.
Beauty's Fancy beat Slieve Reagh.
War Cry IV. beat Hot Coffee.
Over Lap beat Polish Prince.
Maureen Bawn II. beat Fly Style.
III.
Beauty's Fancy beat War Cry IV.
Maureen Bawn II. beat Over Lap.
IV.
Beauty's Fancy beat Maureen Bawn II.

KILMALLOCK STAKE—For 8 all-ages that never won more than £7 in any one stake. Winner £14, second £6.
Mr. J. O'Dwyer's Document No. 3 beat Mr. J. Cremin's Christmas Number.
Col. J. O'Neill's On-the-Dry beat Mr. E. P. Keane's Cheerful Light.
Mr. P. Walsh's Golden Jubilee beat Mr. E. P. Keane's Grand Light.
Mr. P. O'Connor's Feale View beat Mr. J. M'Donnell's Choice Variety.
II.
Document No. 3 beat On-the-Dry.
Golden Jubilee beat Feale View.
III.
Golden Jubilee beat Document No. 3.

CLOGHEEN (CAHIR).

Judge—Mr. M. Sheehan. Slipper—R. J. Redmond.

THE NATIONAL BREEDERS' TRIAL STAKE—For 10 puppies. Winner, £18 and Cup; second, £5 5/-; third, £2 10/-.
Mr. H. Walsh's Waterford beat Mr. E. Tobin's Yankee Dan.
Mr. P. Roche's Glanworth Weaver beat Miss K. O'Reilly's Orchid.
Mr. W. Prendergast's Masked Battery beat Mr. T. O'Brien's Kinsella.
Mr. N. Murphy's Honest Man beat Mrs. M. F. Barron's Mr. Jim.
Miss K. O'Reilly's Orotova beat Mr. M. F. Walsh's Loughmalough.
II.
Waterford beat Glanworth.
Masked Battery beat Honest Man.
Orotova, a bye.
III.
Waterford beat Orotova.
Masked Battery, a bye.
IV.
Masked Battery beat Waterford.

THE CLOGHEEN STAKES—For 8 all-ages. Winner, £17 and Cup; second, £7.
Mr. T. A. Morris's Warrior Bard beat Mr. T. Crotty's Castlecradock.
Mr. D. Tierney's Move a Bit beat Mr. J. O'Keeffe's Moyle Ranger.
Mr. D. Hyland's Highwin beat Mr. M. Hayes's Friar's Castle.
Miss K. O'Reilly's Hard Battle beat Mr. P. Casey's Strideaway.
II.
Warrior Bard beat Move a Bit.
Hard Battle beat Highwin.
III.
Hard Battle beat Warrior Bard.

THE SUMMERHILL STAKE NO. 1—For 8 all-ages. Winner, £11; second, £5.
Mr. R. Quinn's Harmonperil beat Mr. W. P. Magner's Parabellum.
Mr. T. O'Connor's Prince Thello beat Mr. R. Fox's Ocean Freedom.
Mr. E. F. Prendergast's Monami beat Mr. T. Devitt's Jack the Rake.
Mr. T. Clancy's Lisfennel Lady beat Mr. J. Walsh's Tommy's Pet.
II.
Prince Thello beat Harmonperil.
Monami beat Lisfennel Lady.
Stakes divided.

THE SUMMERHILL STAKE NO. 2—For 8 all-ages. Winner, £11; second, £5.
Mr. J. Quinn's Happy and Gay beat Mr. J. Walsh's Castleterry.
Mr. J. McGrath's Bud Fisher beat Mr. J. Looby's Pat the Member.
Mr. M. F. Walsh's Kilmalogue beat Mr. T. Butler's Black Band.
Mr. J. Byrne's Cartin Dev beat Mr. R. Stapleton's Let 'Er Know.
II.
Happy and Gay beat Bud Fisher.
Kilmalogue beat Cartin Dev.
III.
Happy and Gay beat Kilmalogue.

THE GARRYMORE STAKE—For 16 all-ages (one-course maidens). Winner, £16; second, £6; two dogs, £1 10/- each.
Mr. E. F. Prendergast's Modest Mike beat Mr. R. Quinn's Roving Quest.
Mr. J. Fenton's Newest Fashion beat Mr. E. Tobin's Lazy Gibb.
Mr. D. Daly's Glenacunna beat Mr. M. J. Lonergan's Murphy's Single.
Mr. W. Riordan's Winter Rose beat Mr. J. Ryan's Hamis Maid.
Mr. D. Fogarty's Fire and Water beat Mr. E. P. O'Flynn's Gladys.
Mr. P. O'Flaherty's Little Queen IV. beat Mr. J. Dalton's Dark Dawn.
Mr. M. Coughlan's Winding Way beat Mr. W. Barret's Galtee Breeze.
Mr. P. Reynolds's Reel Winder beat Dr. Barry's Breac.
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Newest Fashion beat Modest Mike.
Winter Rose beat Glenacunna.
Fire and Water beat Little Queen IV.
Reel Winder beat Winding Way.
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Newest Fashion beat Winter Rose.
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IV.
Reel Winder beat Newest Fashion.

KILMAGAR AND BALLYSALLA.

Judge—Mr. P. J. Murphy. Slipper—P. McSweeney.

THE KILMAGAR STAKES—For 11 puppies. Winner, £14; runner-up, £6; third dog, £2.
Mr. W. Commins's Ballyneill beat Mr. M. Deegan's Ballyguider.
Mr. T. Harte's Hidden Thorn beat Mr. P. J. Meehan's Glorious Land.
Mr. T. Butler's Black Diavolo beat Mr. M. Walshe's War Fate.
Mr. M. Dwyer's Dash Ben beat Mr. P. Purcell's Plack.
Mr. J. Murphy's Moving Gift beat Mr. J. Phelan's Plunger.
Mr. J. Darcy's Josie Mac, a bye.
II.
Hidden Thorn beat Ballyneill.
Black Diavolo beat Dash Ben.
Moving Gift beat Josie Mac
III.
Hidden Thorn beat Black Diavolo.
Moving Gift, a bye.
Stakes divided.

THE MARBLE CITY STAKES and O'LOUGHLIN SILVER CUP—For 8 all-ages. Cup to be won twice in succession or three times in all. Present holder—D. J. Gorey, Esq., T.D. Winner, £17; runner-up, £7.
Mr. J. F. Drennan's Dorando beat Mr. W. F. Kelly's Tantrum.
Mr. T. Harte's Spalding Bishop beat Mr. R. W. Pilsworth's Dainty Boy.
Mr. D. J. Gorey's Gaulstown Gun beat Mr. W. Byrne's Boncail II.
Mr. D. J. Gorey's Gloomy Knight beat Mr. M. Deegan's Roving Joker.
II.
Gaulstown Gun beat Dorando.
Spalding Bishop, a bye; Gloomy Knight, drs.
III.
Gaulstown Gun declared the winner; Spalding Bishop drawn.

THE BALLYSALLA STAKES—For 16 all-ages. Winner, £20; runner-up, £8; two dogs, £2 each.
Mr. P. J. Meehan's Muscatel beat Mr. W. Murphy's Dristogue Boy.
Messrs. Wm. and N. F. Dunphy's The Bloody Hawk, a bye; Mr. W. Barron's Graiguenamanagh Boy, absent.
Mr. T. Butler's Breach View beat Mr. J. Morrissy's The Cripple.
Mr. M. Kelly's Kill All beat Mr. P. J. Hogan's Herculean Gun.
Miss M. Pratt's Bric-a-brac beat Mr. J. Cody's Cast Steel.
Mr. T. Harte's Hidden Spot beat Mr. Murphy's Hawkstar.
Mr. E. Brennan's Rushall Dainty beat Mr. J. Knox's Macaria III.
Mr. P. Purcell's Procis beat Mr. E. J. Drea's Delightful Lass.
II.
Muscatel beat The Bloody Hawk.
Kill All beat Breach View.
Hidden Spot beat Bric-a-brac.
Rushall Dainty beat Procis.
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CRICKET.

THE AUSTRALIAN TEST TEAM.

WHAT THE PLAYERS HAVE DONE.

The task of leading the Australians in their defence of the "Ashes" has fallen on the shoulders of Herbert L. Collins, whose captaincy of the Australian Imperial Forces Team, which visited England in 1919, and since then of the New South Wales XI. in his own country, has been marked with conspicuous success. Collins, moreover, served an additional and even more valuable apprenticeship for his present position when he visited England as vice-captain of Warwick Armstrong's all-conquering side. He is, without doubt, the man for the position, possessing, as he does, all the qualities which go to make a capable leader—strong personality, unerring judgment, and fine fighting ability. He has the distinction held by very few men of having made a century in his first Test Match.

Australia has had no more prolific run-getter in recent years than Warren Bardsley, who ranks as one of the greatest left-handed players that the game has known, and there has never been any doubt about his right to rank among the greatest of Australian batsmen. He has the extraordinary record of having scored over 2,000 runs on each of his three visits to England, a feat which no other Australian has approached. Against the present touring side at Sydney last month, Bardsley, in scoring a brilliant 160, amply demonstrated that at 39 he is as good as ever he was.

Jack M. Gregory is the outstanding all-round player in Australia to-day; whilst W. H. Ponsford is one of the youngest players in first-class cricket in Australia, but his doings in the past couple of seasons have been amazing. Last season was his first as a regular member of the Victorian XI., and he had the wonderful record of 529 runs in the Sheffield Shield games at an average of 88; while he also made 248 against Queensland. In three matches against South Australia he has made two century scores, and in two innings against Tasmania he has got into three figures each time, the second of these scores being his world's record total of 429. For a young man of only 24 this is an amazing record, and without parallel in Australian cricket. Charles Kelleway is one of the best all-rounders in Australia, and A. J. Richardson, of South Australia, is another all-rounder of whom experts have a very high opinion. V. Y. Richardson is an attractive batsman, with a beautiful cover shot that is rarely seen nowadays, and A. A. Mailey has made a reputation as a slow bowler, who can send up a "googly" that takes a lot of playing.

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SELECTIONS FOR LINGFIELD MEETING TO-DAY.

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DAIL AND THE LICENSING BILL

THE STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS CLAUSE.

SENATE'S AMENDMENT REJECTED.

The Senate's amendments to the Intoxicating Liquor Bill were further considered in the Dail yesterday, the principal being that which insists on structural alterations in licensed premises in order to ensure that drink cannot be sold in the same shop with other articles.

It was urged by those who opposed the amendment that this change ought to be postponed until the Commission which had been promised had reported on the whole subject of the licensed trade. On the other hand, it was claimed that this was one of the matters with which the House was qualified to deal without reference to a Commission.

On a division the amendment was rejected by 48 votes to 12.

The Dublin Port and Docks Bill passed through Committee.

POSITION OF MEDICAL STUDENTS.

STATEMENT TO BE MADE TO-DAY.

Mr. McGilligan (for the Vice-President), answering a question by Mr. P. McKenna as to what in the present position with regard to the registration of Irish medical practitioners in the Free State and in Great Britain, said that he thought the subject could not be suitably dealt with by way of a reply to a question; and asked if the deputy would give him an opportunity of answering it on Friday by raising the question on the motion for adjournment, he could make a detailed statement on the matter.

OLD AGE PENSIONS INQUIRY.

In answer to another question by Mr. McKenna, Mr. Blythe stated that the terms of reference to the Committee that was to be set up to inquire into the system and administration of the Old Age Pensions Act, 1924, had been settled, and that they were: "To consider and report what alterations, if any, should be made in the provisions of the Acts concerning old age pensions and pensions for the blind, and the statutory regulations thereunder respecting the machinery for the determination of claims, questions and appeals, regard being had especially to the desirability of the just and expeditious treatment of all applications." A suitable chairman, with legal qualifications, was at present being sought, and it was hoped within a very few days to complete the remaining membership of the Committee.

RESTRICTIONS ON CREDIT.

The Minister for Finance, answering a question by Mr. Davin as to whether, in view of the restrictions on credit and the industrial depression resulting therefrom, he was prepared to set up a commission to inquire into the operations of banking institutions in the country in respect to credit facilities, said that in the absence of evidence on the contention put forward by the deputy—namely, that the industrial depression was the result of the unreasonable restriction of credit by the banks—he was not at present prepared to adopt the deputy's suggestion.

ARMY PENSIONS ACT.

The Minister for Defence informed Mr. Morrissey that it would not be practicable to introduce a bill to amend the Army Pensions Act, 1923, until the House assembled in the new year.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

Mr. Blythe asked leave to introduce the following supplemental estimates for the service of the year ending on the 31st March, 1925, for the Land Commission, the Department of Industry and Commerce, and Army Pensions.

He explained that the reason for the introduction of the estimate in respect to the Land Commission was to meet the charges involved in that department, owing to the delay in the payment of certain sums by way of rent. The supplementary estimate for the Department of Industry was necessary in view of the passing, or the intended passing, of the Unemployment Insurance Act. They would have to take the vote in anticipation. The third item was necessary to enable certain pensions, which had been incurred, to be paid.

Leave to introduce the estimates was given, and they will be discussed to-day.

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

A brief conversation took place as to the order of business, and the Labour members objected to the Government taking private members' time; and the motion of Mr. Lyons, as to the delay of putting the provisions of the Land Act, 1923, into operation, was specially mentioned. Ministers held that, under the Standing Orders, they were entitled to take the whole time of the House, when it was a question of getting urgent measures through the House.

Mr. McGilligan said that, if they could have an assurance that no frivolous divisions were called for, for the purpose of wasting time, the time for private members' business would not be encroached on.

Mr. Johnson—The Minister can have that assurance as far as I am concerned.

Later, Mr. White referred to the Minister's use of the word "frivolous."

Mr. McGilligan said that he did not use the word in relation to Mr. Lyons or Mr. White; but if had special reference to the Deputy who had immediately answered him.

THE LICENSING BILL.

SENATE'S AMENDMENTS.

The debate on the amendments, inserted in the Intoxicating Liquor Bill by the Senate, was resumed by Mr. Shaw, who spoke in support of the motion to reject the clause in relation to structural alterations in licensed houses, which would divide the liquor part of the business from the grocery or any other business.

Mr. Lyons said that it would impose great hardship on many of the licensed shopkeepers in the country to be compelled to erect the proposed separation.

Mr. White (Donegal) said that the alterations ought to be deferred until the Commission, which had been promised, had inquired and reported on the entire subject of the trade and the excessive number of public-houses in the country.

Mr. Davin said that he was entirely in favour of reducing the number of licensed houses, and indeed, every kind of house that was engaged in the distribution of the necessaries of life, and so get rid of the profiteering, which had so much to do with the present high cost of living. As the Minister had stated in the Senate that this question of structural alteration was to be left to the Commission which he proposed to set up, why should the report of the Commission be prejudged?

Mr. Daly (Cork) put it to the House that it was premature to talk about structural alterations in houses that might be abolished as a result of the work of the Commission. Would the Senate hang up the Commission as they had threatened to hang up this Bill? —(Laughter.)

Mr. Woulfe spoke against the danger of over-zealous legislation in regard to the drink traffic, which constituted a very considerable pill to be swallowed all at once by a perfectly legitimate trade, well carried on as a rule, and with rights that had to be recognised. Under the bill vast improvements would be effected, but care should be taken that legislation in the matter should not go too far too quickly. Particularly was that so in regard to structural separation, the expenses of which would be enormous in comparison with the means of the people concerned. If the question was left to the Commission the licensed trade would have plenty of time to make their preparations against the inevitable reform that was coming.

Mr. Johnson said that he was not afraid of being charged with pressing for a frivolous division. In the Northern counties bordering on Donegal and Monaghan the structural separation had been carried out with advantage to the community, and without notice to the trade as long as that given in the present bill. He pointed out that in speaking against the closing of publichouses on St. Patrick's Day, Deputy Dalton spoke of the bad example that it would be to the children if their fathers had to have their drink at home on that one day of the year. He expected that the Deputy would vote against the continuance of a system by which children coming into a shop for the household necessities can see their fathers drinking at the bar. There were some questions connected with the liquor trade which the House was fully qualified to decide without reference to a commission, and that of mixed trading was one of them.

DRINKING AMONG WOMEN.

Mrs. Collins O'Driscoll said that she would have to vote against the Senate's amendment, although she was entirely in favour of its principle. She knew of her own knowledge that mixed trading was responsible for a great deal of the drinking among women, many of whom first got the taste for drink through the publican treating them when purchasing groceries. At the same time it would be absolutely impossible in most cases to carry out the amendment without depriving people of their means of making a living. She knew a town in the South, with a population of 3,500, with forty-three licensed houses, and thirty-eight of them were houses for mixed trading, with one door and one window. The business from both sources was so small in many towns that the licensed trade might be said, with truth, to live a hand to mouth existence. (Laughter.)

Mr. Dalton, in reply to Mr. Johnson, said that children could not see their fathers drinking in a publichouse, because under the Act they would not be allowed into lincensed premises. He was so strongly in favour of facilities for obtaining food being available in every publichouse that he would withdraw the license from any house in which food was not available for persons having a drink. If the period for carrying out structural alterations had been made eight years instead of three he would vote against mixed trading, and, as it was, he was of the opinion that it should be the law that drink should not be consumed at the grocery counter.

Mr. O'Higgins said that he had nothing fresh to add to what he had said on the subject on previous occasions, except that he fully agreed with Deputy Lyons, when he said: "There is a great deal of room for less publichouses in Ireland." (Laughter.)

The Senate's amendment was then put to a vote, with the result:—

For the amendment:—Deputies Cole, Cooper, Sir James Craig, Desmond Fitzgerald, Good, Johnson, McGilligan, Mulcahy, Hogan (Galway), O'Higgins, Thrift, Murphy (James). —12.

Against:—Deputies Beamish, Baxter, J. J. Walsh, Butler, Woolfe, Bulfin, Dalton, Daly, Mrs. O'Driscoll, Everett, Egan (Michael), Egan (P. J.), White, Hall, Hennigan, Hogan (Conor), McBride, Cosgrave (James), Keogh, McFadden, Corish, Clancy, Nicholls, Sears, Mulvanny, Nally, Nagle, Nolan, Hughes (Peter), Byrne (Alfred), Byrne (C. M.), Broderick, O'Connor, Colohan, Davin, Dolan, Doyle (P. S.), Duffy, Lyons, Lavin, Leddin, Lynch, O'Malley, Vaughan, Morrissey, Murphy (Tadgh), Prior, Shaw.—48.

Mr. Kevin O'Higgins said that the rejection of the Senate's amendment carried out the intention of the Dail, not to interfere with the structural conditions existing at present. He explained that another amendment secured the repeal of the old Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1921.

It was then ordered that the bill be returned to the Senate in its new form.

PORT AND DOCKS BILL.

PLURAL VOTING.

The Port and Docks Bill, 1924, was taken in Committee.

Mr. Johnson moved a new section providing that persons qualified to vote for members of the Port Board shall not be entitled to more than one vote for each candidate. Under present conditions it was well known that certain interests were supposed to control largely the business of the Board. It was alleged that preferential treatment was given to the big shipping companies, and his motion, if carried, would at least establish a more democratic system.

Mr. Hewat pointed out that the proposition put forward was not within the scope of the bill, which simply aimed at removing certain difficulties which had arisen in the way of the discharge of the functions of the Board. At some future time the points raised by Mr. Johnson could be considered.

Mr. McKenna supported the motion and said that the live stock trade were not at all satisfied with the constitution of the Board. They would prefer a broader franchise.

Mr. Johnson said that they were asked by the bill to permit of the present system being continued.

Mr. A. Byrne said that the Board had done excellent work, and the system which obtained some twenty years ago was fast disappearing. There might be in the near future a reform of the franchise under which the elections were held.

On a division the amendment was rejected by 35 to 26 votes.

The Committee stage having been concluded, Mr. Hewat sought the consent of the House to the taking of the further stages forthwith. He failed, however, to secure the support of the number of members required under Standing Orders, and the Report stage was fixed for next Wednesday or the next subsequent sitting of the House.

Mr. Johnson advised Mr. Hewat to consult with the members of the Board with a view to concessions on the question of franchise, in order that he might obtain the support of members of the Dail in regard to facilities for the passage of the bill before the end of the year.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

THE BILL IN COMMITTEE.

The Committee stage of the Local Government Bill, 1924, was then resumed.

Mr. Johnson moved an amendment to Section 35, its object being to include as pensionable persons any employé other than an officer of the local authority who has been employed for a continuous period of not less than ten years.

Mr. Burke, Minister for Local Government, said that he could not accept the amendment, as it would be creating a new class of pensionable officers. At some future period it ought be feasible to bring in a measure to provide for superannuation of employés on a contributory basis.

On a division the amendment was defeated by 38 votes to 15.

Mr. Morrissey moved an amendment to Section 37, by which a local authority may give a pension to any employé who has attained the age of 65 years and has at least ten years' service, or who has become incapable of discharging the duties of his employment with efficiency. He said that he was willing to withdraw the amendment if the Minister would promise to bring in at a definite date a bill to enable pensions to be paid to such employés on a contributory basis.

Mr. Hewat said that if such an amendment were proposed he would support it.

Major Cooper said that he was in agreement with the amendment on two points—(1) that the local authority may grant a pension, and (2) with the consent of the Minister. He did not believe in the principle that, under any circumstances, a local authority should be debarred from giving a small pension to a deserving servant.

The Minister said that he could not accept the amendment, and on a division the amendment was defeated by 42 votes to 20.

OTHER AMENDMENTS.

The Minister for Local Government moved the addition of a new section providing for the appointment of committees of county councils for the purpose of carrying out such duties as the council may deem to be better carried out by or through a committee. Every committee should consist of not less than three members, and may be composed partly of persons who are not members of the council.

The motion was agreed to.

An amendment to Section 54, refusing to give credit for attendance to members unless they have been present at a meeting for three hours, or for the whole period where the meeting occupid less time, was adopted.

Mr. Johnson's amendment, giving power under the Public Libraries Acts, 1855 to 1920, to incur expenditure out of the library rate on the provision of public lectures and exhibitions was accepted.

A new section, proposed by Mr. Johnson, to give power to local bodies to provide allotments at a reasonable rent where the demand was not met by voluntary arrangement between landowners and applicants, was resisted by the Minister for Local Government on the ground that the subject was rather a matter for a special bill. The Minister for Agriculture had, he said, prepared a bill, but as the demand for allotments seemed to be diminishing it had been regarded as not an urgent measure.

The amendment to insert the section was defeated on a division.

Amendments brought forward by the Minister to meet points raised during the committee stage were agreed to.

With regard to the amendment proposed by the Minister with reference to the personnel of the county board of health, it was denied that the terms met the views of members.

This was the only outstanding amendment when progress was reported, and the report stage was adjourned until to-day.

RAILWAYS BILL.

THE RECENT AGREEMENT.

At 10.15 the debate on the Railways (Directorate) Bill was resumed by Mr. Johnson, who moved an amendment to the first section with the object of ensuring that the agreement between the new railway company and the London, Midland and Scottish Railway should be made known to the Dail, and that the House should know something of what the "concessions, allowances and advantages" which the Irish companies were suppose to receive were worth.

Mr. Mulcahy said that he shared Mr. Johnson's opinion with regard to the agreement. A statement of that agreement had been circulated to the deputies, and he doubted if any more information would be given. He thought that there was more behind it than was set out in the agreement. It was very unsatisfactory.

Mr. McGilligan said that the concessions, allowances and advantages were described in the preamble to the bill. These had been considered by the Railway Tribunal, and that body, after full investigation, had set a certain value on them. An agreement had been entered into for the continuance of those concessions and advantages, and in consideration of that the London, Midland and Scottish Company would be allowed to nominate a director on the Board of the Amalgamated Company.

Mr. Gorey—How many more directors would they get on the same terms?

Mr. McGilligan—We are dealing with only one director. The agreement may be altered for the better as time goes on, and the amalgamated company will see to it that no worse bargain is made than the present one.

Mr. Johnson—What is desired by the amendment is a detailed record of what these concessions and allowances are which are to be continued.

Mr. Davin said that such a record would need a great deal of time and the services of several expert accountants.

Mr. McGilligan said that to give the details which Mr. Johnson seemed to require would be an almost impossible task.

Mr. Johnson—The Minister is, I am sure, without knowing it, evading the issue.

REASONS FOR CONCESSIONS.

Mr. Davin said that the reason for the concessions, which were first given to the Dublin and South-Eastern Railway Company, and which would be continued to that portion of the amalgamated company, was for the purpose of inducing traffic to go through the port of Dublin, instead of through other ports. It was a competition from which Dublin would derive advantage, and from which traders and passengers would derive advantages.

Mr. Hewat said that the terms of the agreement between the two railways was not a matter for that House. The Dublin and South-Eastern, in negotiation with the amalgamated railways, would have a claim to say that their stock was value for so much, and enter into an agreement with the London, Midland and Scottish Railway, by which they benefited to a certain extent, getting a director on the Board of the amalgamated company. The value of the concessions was not a matter for the Dail, as they would not be called upon to bear the burden. The question whether they had made a good bargain was not a matter for that House.

General Mulcahy asked if in two years time the Dail withdrew the right to appoint an outside director on the amalgamated company, what was going to be the position of the stock transferred to the Dublin and South-Eastern shareholders.

The amendment was rejected without a division.

Mr. Johnson moved to insert a provision that the director appointed under the terms of the bill shall not be entitled to vote on any proposal to cancel or alter the agreement referred to in the preamble.

The amendment was under discussion when the House adjourned at eleven o'clock.

THE NEW VETERINARY INSPECTION SCHEME.

DEPUTATION TO MR. HOGAN.

In connection with the proposed new scheme of veterinary inspection, a deputation from the Munster Veterinary Inspectors' Association waited on Mr. P. Hogan, Irish Free State Minister of Agriculture, on Friday last. It included Messrs. T. R. Mulcahy, Clonmel; C. P. Hynes, Lismore; and T. I. Alexander, hon. secretary, Kinsale.

The deputation was introduced by Mr. J. Prior, T.D., who was accompanied by Messrs. Dalton, T.D.; Hogan, T.D.; and Wall, T.D.

Mr. Hogan said that he had an open mind on the subject, and was anxious for information. He listened most patiently to the deputation, who explained at length the many disadvantages which would be likely to follow if the proposed scheme were put into operation. At the close of the interview the Minister expressed his desire for any further information or suggestions which the veterinary profession might wish to offer.

CANADA AND THE FREE STATE.

GOVERNMENT TRADE COMMISSIONER APPOINTED.

Mr. A. F. McEachern, Canadian Government Trade Commissioner, of the Commercial Intelligence Service Department of Trade and Commerce, who has been appointed to the Irish Free State, has arrived in Dublin, where, in the course of a few days, he will open offices.

Canada has twenty-two commissioners in different parts of the world, and their function is to establish trade connections between Canada and the countries to which they have been appointed. Manufacturers or producers in the Free State anxious to try the Canadian market may now be introduced to traders there through the Department of Trade and Commerce.

Canadian manufacturers and traders will be put into communication with the prospective purchasers in the Free State.

Mr. McEachern, who has acted in a similar capacity for his department in Italy, believes that there are many opportunities for the expansion of the existing trade between both countries.

KILLEGNEY GLEBE.

The rector of the new union of Killegney and Adamstown, Co. Wexford, will reside at Killegney. Adamstown Glebe, not Killegney, as stated in yesterday's *Irish Times*, will be sold.

THE LATE MR. A. H. STRAKER.

By the death of Mr. A. H. Straker, who was fatally injured while hunting with the Cottesmore Hounds on Tuesday, the British Turf has lost a staunch supporter. The deceased gentleman, who resided at Oakham, has been racing under both codes for a number of years with a fair measure of success. He bred Re-Echo, the Cambridgeshire winner of 1922, who was purchased by Sir Ernest Paget as a yearling for 2,600 guineas. Eighteen years ago Mr. Straker owned a useful two-year-old in Tomas-an-Appogh, with which he won a couple of races as a juvenile and three races as a three-year-old. Of recent years the best known flat racers owned by him were Craig Eleyr and Clodia, trained by M. D. Peacock, at Middleham. In Kirkharle (trained by F. Hartigan) he also owned a steeplechaser which won five out of the six races in which he took part last year.

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LIFFEY ELECTRICITY SCHEMES.

SWISS EXPERT'S EVIDENCE

WATER-POWER POSSIBILITIES.

The evidence in support of the case for the Dublin Electricity Supply Bill—the second of the Liffey hydro-electric schemes before the Joint Committee of the Oireachtas—was not concluded yesterday, but to facilitate Herr Buchi, the principal witness for Dublin Corporation (which also has a scheme before the Committee), the latter's evidence is being taken now.

When the Committee sat yesterday, Dr. H. H. Jeffcott, formerly a Professor of Engineering at the Royal College of Science, Dublin, was further examined in support of the Dublin Electricity Supply Bill.

Dr. Jeffcott said that it was hoped in time to replace the existing generating system by the hydro-electric supply to authorised distributors.

Mr. Heffernan—Suppose the different undertakers take your supply and use it, what will be gained by the general community? Will it be simply the difference between the price you charge and the present generating cost? Yes; if we can have cheaper power it will help us in our industries to compete with other countries. In an industry where a great deal of power is used, a small difference in price might mean a very great deal. We propose to supply primarily through authorised distribution.

If you get a demand for a supply to all these, your surplus will not be very large? We can pretty nearly supply Dublin's present consumption. It is 67 million units, and I think we can deliver in Dublin about 65. With the three supplementary stations we should be able to deliver, I think, up to 85 million.

COAL AND LABOUR.

Mr. Hogan (another member of the Committee) asked Dr. Jeffcott whether he knew what amount of coal was imported for power purposes.

The witness said that he had not up-to-date figures, but he thought that the gross imports of coal into the whole of Ireland were about 4½ million tons per annum, and of that about two-thirds—say, three million tons—would be for power purposes.

Mr. Heffernan—With regard to labour, supposing your system is substituted for the present system, will it give more employment or less? Taking into account the effect of cheap power on industries, I think it will result in more employment.

Leaving out the effect on industries, and considering the labour employed in the supply of electricity? I think the hydro-electric system will employ fewer workers than the steam-fired system.

Mr. William Cash, principal of Cash, Stone and Co., a London firm of accountants which has been concerned with the financial arrangements of various public utility undertakings, gave evidence on the financial basis of the bill, particularly with respect to the basis of fixing charges. He expressed the opinion that the Dublin Electricity Supply Bill went further than any other proposal he had seen in the direction of giving to the consumer the benefit of any lessening of the cost of production resulting from extension of the supply.

THE SWISS EXAMPLE.

Herr Buchi, the Swiss hydro-electric expert who was engaged by Dublin Corporation three or four years ago to investigate Liffey potentialities, and has advised the Corporation in the preparation of the project embodied in the Dublin and District Electricity Supply Bill, was called to give his evidence at this stage, as he is obliged to return to Switzerland to-day.

At the adjournment of the Committee last night, he had not entered on evidence directly concerning the Liffey, but he reviewed the progress of water-power schemes in Switzerland in the past 25 years, and outlined the system of public control of water-power undertakings.

In Switzerland, he said, about 98 per cent. of all the houses were lighted by electricity—even those six or seven thousand feet above sea level. Even the villages were served with electrical power supplies, and the majority of motors were driven by electricity. When "power" was mentioned in Switzerland, it was ordinarily understood to mean electrical power.

Most of the public utility companies in Switzerland, even railways, were owned by public authorities, and this applied to electricity undertakings. Zurich, for example, was supplied by a 140,000 horse-power undertaking, owned by a company in which the Municipality of Zurich held half the capital, the other half being held by another company, jointly owned by five neighbouring cantons. In some other schemes a small part of the capital was contributed by individuals, the greater part being contributed by public authorities.

The lowest price for electrical power supply in Switzerland would be .5 or .6 of a penny, with an average probably about a penny a unit. In Zurich the charge for light was about 7d. a unit, and in other towns it varied from 6d. to 8d.

The Committee will begin its sitting at 10 o'clock to-day.

RATHMINES PRESENTATION

GOOD-BYE TO CANON AND MRS. LEWIS-CROSBY.

The parishioners of Rathmines last night, in the Parochial Hall, Rathmines, presented the Rev. Canon E. H. Lewis-Crosby, B.D., and Mrs. Crosby with a Schiedmayer piano on their departure from the parish.

Canon Lewis-Crosby was rector of Rathmines for over ten years, and much regret is felt at his departure to take up the Incumbency of the Parish of Stillorgan, rendered vacant by the death of Canon Kennedy.

Professor W. E. Thrift, F.,T.C.D., who presided, said that they had met not only to bid good-bye to their late Rector and to Mrs. Lewis-Crosby, but to welcome their new Rector—Mr. Hodges. (Applause.)

They were very sorry to lose Canon and Mrs. Lewis-Crosby. They were all deeply grateful to them for the valuable work which they had done in Rathmines. They worked in that parish for ten years, which were more full of stress than any period of the last 100 years. There was no family in the parish which was in sorrow, trouble, or need which did not receive the help, kindness, and sympathy of Canon and Mrs. Lewis-Crosby.

Referring to the appointment of Mr. Hodges, who had had the advantage of learning his work under Canon Crosby, Professor Thrift said he could confidently count upon the earnest support of all those who knew him while he was curate there.

Mr. Townsend Jolley, in making the presentation, said that as People's Churchwarden he was delighted to have an opportunity of associating the parishioners with, and endorsing, what Professor Thrift had said about their guests and about the new Rector.

The Rev. Canon Lewis-Crosby said that he could not express in written or spoken words the gratitude of Mrs. Lewis-Crosby and himself at the presentation. He said that they could never forget the kindness of the people of that great Parish of Rathmines. He looked to the future of that parish with absolute confidence.

The Rev. C. B. Caffry then played a selection on the new piano.

The Rev. E. C. Hodges and others having spoken, the proceedings ended.

A JAIL FOR SALE.

An unusual item was offered for auction yesterday—the Kildare County Jail, with all the usual features of such an institution. Mr Judd, of Messrs. Battersby and Co., auctioneers, Dublin, drew the attention of prospective purchasers to the fact that, in addition to the jail, there were the governor's house, with possession, several cottages, formerly occupied by warders, and three acres of land; also the key of the jail, so that the purchaser need not necessarily remain inside. The bidding did not come up to expectations, and it is understood that private offers will now be considered by Messrs. Battersby.

All the other properties were sold which came under the hammer. Amongst them were Ballinascorney House, in the Dublin Mountains, with over 1,200 acres; Mayville, 72 Clonliffe road, and the compact residence, 21 Charleston road, Ranelagh.

GREATER DUBLIN COMMISSION.

EVIDENCE FOR THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

The Greater Dublin Commission held a further public sitting yesterday, Professor William Magennis presiding. The others present were:—Senator Mrs. Wyse Power, Senator J. T. O'Farrell, Alderman Alfred Byrne, T.D.; Alderman R. H. Beamish, T.D., and A. McCabe.

Mr. J. C. R. Lardner, K.C., who (instructed by Mr. Thomas Early, solicitor) appeared for the Dublin County Council, said that until the last election the agricultural interests of the county were fully represented, but owing to political reasons, as they were aware, other persons were returned, and now he thought that there was only one representative of agriculture on the County Council. So far as the agricultural interest was concerned, they thought that the Commission would be better informed with more intimate and more helpful information by inviting evidence from the County Committee of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, and also from the Farmers' Association.

The Chairman said that they would be pleased to fix a date for the evidence of these bodies.

CITY AND COUNTY.

Mr. J. V. Lawless, Secretary of the Dublin County Council was then called, and was questioned by the Chairman and members of the Commission on his evidence, of which the members of the Commission had copies.

He said that urban representatives had shown very little interest in the fostering of agriculture; therefore, very little could be hoped from any proposal which would involve the taking in to the city of any or all the rural areas of the county.

There was also another aspect of the taking-in process, and that was the increased rateable value which would of necessity be assessed on buildings, thereby increasing the amount of rates to be paid. This upward tendency, both in assessable value and rates paid as a price of inclusion in the city, would certainly be resented by every county ratepayer, especially as there was a very grave doubt that the services now dangled before them as an inducement to come in may never materialise in their time.

NATURAL DEVELOPMENT.

Questioned on the subject of town-planning, the witness said that it would be well to let things develop naturally, especially in the capital city and metropolitan county, now that a national and sympathetic foster-mother was present to assist it, rather than in the midst of many and ever-changing conditions attempting too much reconstruction, thereby running the danger of over-reaching the mark and landing everything in chaos.

Questioned by the Chairman, the witness admitted that he was in favour of unification of control of all public utility services, provided the separate districts had autonomy to deal with matters affecting their own districts.

The sitting was adjourned until 11.30 on Monday, when Mr. Lawless will continue his evidence.

TRIBUTE BY SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENTS.

HONOUR TO MR. G. A. EXHAM.

An interesting ceremony took place in the School of Anatomy, Trinity College, Dublin, yesterday afternoon, in the presence of a large gathering, when South African medical students of that College handed over to the Provost a bronze tablet placed by them in the hall of the medical school in honour of Mr. Gerard A. Exham, and as a token of gratitude for his friendship and help.

The inscription on the tablet reads as follows:—

Gerardo Alston Exham, M.A.
Semper eorum fautori
Studentes Africani Meridionales
Gratiam meritam
Libentes referunt.
"Our Staatmaker."

The translation is:—

"A glad and grateful tribute from the South African students to Gerard Alston Exham, M.A., their constant supporter."

The last two words in Dutch mean "Our Mainstay."

A GRACEFUL SPEECH.

Mr. van Zyl, on behalf of South African students, said that for some years past the South African students in Dublin had desired to find a way of formally acknowledging their great indebtedness to Mr. Exham, their first Registrar and friend; and the Board of Trinity College most kindly gave their permission for a small tablet to be placed in the hall of the school.

Mr. Exham was the first to originate the coming of South African students to Trinity College. "He had been in South Africa himself, and proved to us," said Mr. van Zyl, "that we would be sincerely welcomed in Ireland; that we would be treated similarly to Irish students; that we would be made comfortable and at home amongst strangers, and not be pushed aside as foreigners, and that we would participate in all privileges, socially and otherwise."

Again, Mr. Exham proved his friendship to all South African students by getting Trinity College to recognise work already done by them in South African Universities; and the granting of exhibitions awarded to South African students by Trinity College had materially helped many South African students in Dublin.

"Mr. Exham not only advised as to our courses of study," said the speaker, "but also made life very pleasant socially for the South African students, so that to-day we have many intimate friends in Dublin, and are welcomed to enjoy Irish hospitality. Not only have we to thank Mr. Exham, but, indeed, the whole University staff, for the interest shown in us." For the inscription on the tablet they thanked Dr. L. C. Purser, Vice-Provost. They also expressed gratitude to the Rev. Mr. Hanna, of Adelaide road Presbyterian Church, for his interest in all South African students.

PROVOST'S REPLY.

The Provost said that he was glad to hear the sentiments which Mr. Van Zyl had expressed on behalf of his brethren of South Africa, not only as regards Mr. Exham, but also as regards Trinity College. As to Mr. Exham, it was a great satisfaction to many of them who had no connection with the Medical School, except an official connection, to know that his name and the services which he rendered to the College during the time when he was a Fellow were to be permanently commemorated there. He was a man of real public spirit, and during the twenty-five years when he was a Fellow he did everything he could to promote the dignity and welfare of the College which he loved.

It was very pleasant to know that the friends who came to them from South Africa felt that they had done their best to make them welcome—as, indeed, they had—and they should all like to associate themselves with what Mr. Van Zyl had said of the services which the Rev. Mr. Hanna had rendered.

He was glad to know that the South African students had benefited from their association with Trinity College. He could assure them that Trinity College had benefited very considerably, and in many ways, by the South African students having come there. They began to come there about thirty-five years before Mr. Exham's time, but only in twos and threes, and they were sent, he thought, under the auspices of the Government; but about 1902, owing to Mr. Exham's exertions, the possibilities of Trinity College and the University of Dublin were explained to many people in South Africa, and they began to come every year in threes and fours and fives.

No large number came until after the war, and in 1919 something like fifty men joined the Medical School. Altogether since 1902, he was told, they had something over 180 South African students there; and certainly they left their mark on College life. They had individually distinguished themselves in the Medical School, but they had also distinguished themselves in other fields—particularly in the Rugby field, he thought.

Two big men got the degree of Doctor of Medicine that day; one was a South African, whose name he need not recite. He hoped that the ties between Ireland and South Africa would be maintained, and that in the future, as in the past, men would come to them, if not for the whole of the medical course, at any rate for an important portion of it.

Professor Dixon, on behalf of the Medical School, thanked the Provost, and the proceedings ended.

THE ATTENDANCE.

There was a large attendance, which included—The Provost (Right Rev. Dr. J. H. Bernard), the Vice-Provost (Dr. L. C. Purser), Professor Francis Dixon, Dean of the Faculty of Physics; Sir John Moore, M.D.; Dr. J. M. Purser, Regius Professor of Physics; Sir James Craig, Professor M. W. J. Fry, Registrar, T.C.D.; Mr. E. J. Gwynn, Senior Proctor; Professor T. E. Gordon, Professor T. Henry Wilson, Professor Biggar, Professor Wigham, Professor Pringle, Professor Young, Professor Werner, Professor W. Kennedy, F.,T.C.D.; Professor Henry, F.,T.C.D.; the Rev. R. K. Hanna, M.A.

The South African Club Committee members present included Mr. W. Van Zyl, Mr. P. Marais, Mr. D. Bruit, Mr. R. P. Pienaar, Mr. E. J. Bam and Mr. P. Labuschagne.

EVEREST LECTURE BY WIRELESS.

A lecture by Captain J. Noel, "My Experiences with the Mount Everest Expedition," was broadcast from the London station of the British Broadcasting Company and relayed by all the other stations last night. Mr. W. J. Hogan, 56 Henry street, Dublin, received the lecture and "relayed" it by means of the telephone, which was placed near the loud speaker, to the *Irish Times* office. The reception was very good. At intervals Lamas from Tibet rendered selections of native music. It must be admitted that the throbs and wails—the latter produced by instruments made from human bones—sounded weird rather than musical.

Mr. Henry J. Exley, Rockview, Dalkey, while experimenting with a wireless receiving set early yesterday morning, picked up a message from a steamship to the effect that the operator was experimenting 435 miles from land. He gave some technical particulars of his instruments, and asked any hearers in Great Britain or Ireland to communicate with him. Mr. Exley did not catch the name of the ship, which is due to reach Southampton next Monday, and would like to hear from anybody who was more fortunate.

THE MAGDALEN CHURCH.

The special preacher in the Magdalen Church, Dublin, next Sunday morning will be the Bishop of Tuam. The subject of the sermon will be "The practical value of belief in immortality." At the evening Service the Rev. F. M. Cox will conclude a series of sermons on the future life. The subject will be "Heaven."

FARMING COSTS.

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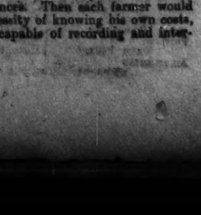

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REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.

Take Notice that I, Richard A. Hayes, M.D., Honorary Secretary of
THE STROLLERS' CLUB,
having their premises at 9 Merrion row, Dublin, intend to apply for a Renewal of the Certificate of Registration on behalf of the said Club, in pursuance of the provisions of the above Act.
Dated this 12th day of December, 1924.
RICHARD A. HAYES, M.D., Hon. Secretary.
M. CARTAN O'MEARA, Solicitor, 27 South Frederick street, Dublin.
To the Registrar of Clubs for the City of Dublin.

NOTICE.

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.

Take Notice that I intend to apply to the District Justice sitting at Wexford on the 31st day of December, 1924, on behalf of the Committee and Members of the Wexford Club, situate at Custom House Quay, Wexford, in the County of Wexford, for a Renewal Certificate of Registration for the said Club, pursuant to the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Act, 1904.

The object of the said Club is to afford to its members the means of social intercourse and rational recreation.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1924.
P. R. TIVY, Hon. Secretary.
M. J. O'CONNOR and CO., Solicitors, Wexford.
To the Registrar of Clubs for the District of Wexford.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"The Land of the Stranger," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal—"The Globe Trot," 6.45 and 9.
Olympia Theatre—"Tons of Fun," 7 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"The Passing" and "The Lord Mayor," 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Dublin To-night," 7 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"Yolanda."
The Grafton—"Don't Call It Love."
Metropole—"The Spanish Dancer."
Bohemian Picture Theatre—"Passions of the Great," 4.30 to 10.30 p.m.
Princess, Rathmines—"The White Shadow."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"How to Educate a Wife," 4.10, 6.30 and 9 p.m.
Rotunda Pictures—"Afterglow."
Public Lecture, Oak Room, Mansion House, 8 p.m.
Exhibition of Pictures and Sale of Christmas Cards, etc., 7 St. Stephen's Green, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Senate and Dail, 3 p.m.
R.D.S. Lecture, Royal College of Surgeons, 4.30 p.m.
Inquiry re Irish Sailors' and Soldiers' Land Trust, 30 Lower Fitzwilliam street, 11 a.m.
Adelaide Hospital "Pound Day."
Women Citizens' Association, 5 Leinster street, 4.30 p.m.
Dail Eireann Court, 11 a.m.

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The Dail yesterday, by 48 votes to 12, rejected the Senate's amendment to the Intoxicating Liquor Bill requiring structural alterations to be made in public-houses in order to isolate the licensed portion from the shop where other articles are sold.—(Page 5.)

The Boundary Commissioners yesterday visited Newry, Warrenpoint and Flagstaff Peak, from which height they saw the boundaries of Down, Armagh and Louth. At Newry they received three deputations, two of them Nationalist and one Unionist. They returned to Armagh in the evening.—(Page 7.)

The text of the Irish Free State Police Forces Amalgamation Bill was issued yesterday.—(Page 5.)

At a meeting of the National Executive of the Irish Farmers' Union in Dublin yesterday strong criticism of the expenditure policy of the Government was voiced. It was stated that the general opinion expressed by the people of the Free State was that the Government was unnecessarily extravagant. One speaker said that in no country in Europe was the cost of government so high as in the Free State.—(Page 7.)

There was a sharp fall in turkey prices in the provincial markets yesterday. Supplies are good.—(Page 7.)

The number of Flanders poppies sold in the Irish Free State was 220,000, and the total sum collected for the Earl Haig Fund was £3,587 18s.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Free State taxpayer will save £150,000 a year as the result of the British Government guaranteeing the £30,000,000 Land Bonds. The interest will be at 4½ per cent. It was stated that the Free State could not borrow at less than 5 per cent.—(Page 7.)

A dense fog prevailed virtually all over Great Britain yesterday. Much inconvenience, personal discomfort and many minor mishaps resulted.—(Page 7.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were quiet, business being restricted by the poor attendance of members owing to the continued fog.—(Page 10.)

Loans were dearer in Lombard street owing to depleted resources, and up to 2¾ per cent. was paid for overnight advances. Sterling on New York resumed its advance among the exchanges.—(Page 10.)

Dublin Stock Market was quiet. National Loan improved to 93 and Great Southern Ord. to 39⅞.—(Page 10.)

Farmers and Finance.

Strong criticism of Government finance was expressed at a meeting of the National Executive of the Irish Farmers' Union, in Dublin, yesterday. Farmers of all shades of political opinion were at one in their condemnation of the heavy expenditure which the taxpayers are being required to meet, and a resolution of protest was passed without dissent. Mr. D. L. O'Gorman, of Cork, was extremely outspoken. He attributed the abstention of more than fifty *per cent.* of the electorate at the recent by-elections to the extravagant policy of the Government. Mr. O'Gorman drew a contrast between the Danish and the Free State Budgets, pointing out that, even if the sum of £10,000,000 for compensation payments were deducted from the latter, it still would be twice as great as the Danish Budget. He was supported by Mr. Denis Gorey, leader of the Farmers' Party in *Dail Eireann;* Colonel O'Callaghan-Westropp, and Senator Sir John Keane, who is a shrewd economist. Colonel O'Callaghan-Westropp explained that agricultural credit never could be higher in any country than national credit; and Sir John Keane asserted that the banks were becoming uneasy in consequence of the continued high level of official expenditure. Both Mr. Gorey and Sir John Keane held that a Commission ought to be appointed to inquire into the whole matter without delay, and Sir John suggested that a body on the model of the British Geddes Committee would be the most suitable for the purpose.

We share the view of Colonel O'Callaghan-Westropp that the Government has done splendid work in face of the most formidable difficulties; but the facts of the actual situation make no allowances for past performances. Those facts are extremely serious. The Free State cannot be regarded as an isolated country. Its problems must be considered in the light of its propinquity not only to Great Britain, but also to Northern Ireland; and the growing discrepancy between taxation in Dublin and Belfast is producing important political, as well as economic, reactions. There is very little doubt that Mr. Winston Churchill, the new Chancellor of the Exchequer, will reduce income tax in his next Budget. There is talk of a fall of one shilling; but almost certainly there will be a fall of sixpence. In that event, on the assumption that income tax in the Free State remains constant, the shilling difference between the impost here and in Northern Ireland will be equal to the total income tax which was paid in 1908-1909, the year before Mr. Lloyd George's famous Budget. A more anomalous condition of affairs hardly could be imagined. The Southern farmer must compete in the English and Scottish markets with the farmer of the Six Counties, and the additional income tax which he is forced to contribute to the national Exchequer is sufficient to give his rival an unnecessary and decisive advantage.

Income tax is only one factor in the situation; there are a dozen others. We still have a twopenny post in the Free State; Northern Ireland pays three-halfpence, and soon may be paying only a penny. The Southern farmer pays three shillings more in the pound for his footwear. He is mulcted in additional taxes on sugar, soap, candles and a host of other commodities, while, even apart from all these imposts, his cost of living is probably the highest in Europe. He is faced with a trade deficit of between £15,000,000 and £18,000,000 this year; Danes and Dutchmen are ousting him from his only outside market, and altogether he has every reason to regard the future with anxiety. Excessive expenditure is at the root of every national evil. We do not suggest for moment that the lot of the Free State farmer would become ideal even if income tax were reduced by half-a-crown in the pound to-morrow; but, undoubtedly, a reduction in the national Budget would benefit him enormously. Financially the Free State is suffering from the effects of a bad start. It began its career as a self-governing community with a completely false sense of perspective. Its leaders were unable, or unwilling, to break away from the old British standards of expenditure and seemed to believe that they could continue to spend money at the British rate with impunity. The result is that the taxpayers now are trying to carry a load of taxation which is far beyond their capacity; and, naturally, breaking point is approaching. Mr. Blythe has done much to reduce expenditure in many directions, but there can be no real improvement until policy has been changed. Administrative economies merely scratch the surface; and, if the Free State ever is to pay its way, a completely new financial outlook must be acquired.

The Coal Industry.

The National Joint Wages Board for the coal-mining industry of Great Britain met in London yesterday afternoon, but the recent proposal of the colliery-owners was not discussed. This proposal was made in a letter which was sent by the Central Committee of the Mining Association to the Miners' Federation. It was considered by the Executive Committee of the latter body on Wednesday and received their approval in general terms. The coal-owners propose that "a small committee of representatives of the Miners' Federation and the Mining Association should be appointed to consider the position of the industry, the cause thereof, and possible remedies." The letter urges the need of prompt action and states the willingness of the Mining Association to expedite the necessary arrangements. At yesterday's meeting Mr. A. J. Cook, the miners' secretary, said that the question did not come within the scope of the National Wages Board. The owners have acted with commendable wisdom in proposing the conference with representatives of the Miners' Federation. They have taken a step which must disarm criticism to a large extent if another crisis should occur in the industry, since they have shown their readiness to co-operate for the benefit of the industry as a whole. If the representatives of both bodies could be brought together and could have the facts of the case placed squarely before them, a little clear thinking and a little straight talking could achieve results far in excess of anything which could be done by threats of strike action. Mr. Arthur Henderson has asked the Miners' Federation to join with the Labour Party and the Trades Union Congress in the drafting of proposals which will have the support of organised Labour as a whole. At present the situation is most unsatisfactory. The mines are not producing enough money to ensure to the owners profits in proportion to the capital that they have to find, or to provide decent wages for the men. It has been realised at last that the interests of owners and miners are inseparable, and this is the first step towards a solution. The causes of the impoverished state of the industry in Great Britain are numerous. Among the most obvious are bad trade and increased competition from abroad. Germany's export of coal has grown enormously, and French and American coal can be sold more cheaply on the Continent than coal produced in South Wales. British collieries suffer from two great disadvantages. Many of the mines are sunk so deeply that the coal is raised with extreme difficulty and at a high cost, and there is not sufficient money in the industry for the supply of the most efficient plant.

Safety Regulations.

On Friday last, in *Dail Eireann*, Mr. Shaw complained that "the Wolfhill Colliery, in which he had his money, was closed by the action of the men whom Deputy Davin represented," and that miners who could be earning good wages were now living on the "dole." We have received from Mr. Patrick Hughes, of Wolfhill, a statement which, in contradicting Mr. Shaw's charge, raises a public issue of the first importance. Mr. Hughes says that the stoppage at Wolfhill was not the result of labour trouble in the ordinary sense, and that the miners have been attached to no union during the past four years. The main cause of the stoppage, he declares, was a lack of ventilation in the mines, resulting in the prevalence of "black damp" which made work impossible for more than three or four hours daily. Mr. Hughes writes: "Under the British Home Office Rules the proper state of air in coal mines was rigidly insisted on . . . by inspectors who paid surprise visits periodically. Since the transition of Governments no inspection of any kind has been made." We have no personal knowledge of this matter; but it is obvious that here is one of those statements which, in the public interest, ought to be verified or refuted without a moment's delay. Is it true that since the passing of the British *régime* no system of Government inspection has obtained at the Wolfhill Collieries? If the statement be true of Wolfhill, is it true also of the mines at Castlecomer, Arigna and elsewhere in the twenty-six counties? We invite the owners of the Wolfhill Collieries to refute or confirm Mr. Hughes's statement, of which at present we can say only that, if it be true, it reveals conditions which are equally injurious to the well-being of the miners, the pockets of the colliery-owners and the progress of a national industry. We suppose that the Ministry of Industry and Commerce fulfils the functions that were fulfilled formerly by the Home Office, the Board of Irish Lights and other departments which supervised the health and safety of workers in dangerous trades. Will the Ministry publish a brief account of the manner in which these various and vital obligations are being discharged under the new order of things? Mr. Hughes's statement, if it remains unchallenged, must provoke the gravest misgivings. We hope to learn quickly that it was made in error.

The Teaching of English.

Every word that Dean Inge says or writes proves the value of the old-fashioned culture, but he has nothing of the intellectual snobbishness of that other dean who declared that "a classical education enabled one to look down upon one's inferiors." In an address at the Birkbeck College, on Wednesday, Dean Inge argued that the teaching of English had suffered from a persistence of the theory that education, in order to be a means of discipline, must be "a hard grind." This theory is a survival from the Spartan days of the sixteenth century, when children were kept at their books between six o'clock in the morning and four in the afternoon. In the teaching of English the Dean would plunge young people directly into the heart of the greatest and most varied literature in the world. For students of that literature, he thinks, English begins with Chaucer. The precursors ought to be a post-graduate study for experts; but, for the mass of intelligent youth, he would banish formal grammar and etymology, as not being necessary for the reading or writing of English. In the Dean's view the classics still have "a remnant of social *prestige,*" but their real strength lies in their intrinsic merit, and every student of English ought to read them in translations. Literature, thus humanised for the schools, can become a pervasive influence which will raise the national standard of thought and speech, and may abolish Dean Inge's pet abomination, "commercial English." On this subject he told a story of a young man who was brought into the Foreign Office from a commercial house during the scrambling days of the Great War. A certain foreign Ambassador was amazed to receive a letter which read:—"Yours to hand. Our Lord Curzon will attend you."

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

UNWANTED FIDDLER.

TWO SOCIALISTS TO BE EXPELLED.

FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

WESTMINSTER, Thursday.

The House of Commons was well filled this afternoon when the Speaker took the chair, new members being anxious to attend the first question hour. Owing to the fact that a number of supplementary questions were put by members unused to the forms of the House, only fifty-eight questions were answered out of a total of 114.

The great feature of the afternoon was a duet on the part of Captain Wedgwood Benn and Mr. N. McLean, *apropos* of the decision of the Home Secretary that Messrs. Soermus and Ulman, two Socialists, must leave the country at the expiration of the term allowed them. The two members tried to induce Sir W. Joynson-Hicks to give way, but in vain, and when Mr. McLean asked leave to move the adjournment, the Speaker was just as firm as the Home Secretary. Argument in both cases was useless.

The Home Secretary did unbend a trifle when he gave the House the reason why these two aliens must leave when their permits expire. Soermus, in defiance of an undertaking which he gave, has been playing as a violinist at concerts, and thus depriving Englishmen of a job. There were roars of laughter all round at this mild description of the activities of Soermus, who is noted for his violin solos at Communist gatherings.

The Prime Minister announced that, as members had been given railway travelling facilities by a free vote of the House, he did not propose to make any change.

In reply to a question whether it was proposed to hold an inquiry into the Campbell case, Mr. Baldwin said that he thought that such an inquiry was unnecessary. The late Prime Minister had appealed to the country on the point, and the answer was an overwhelming one.

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There was nothing very exciting about the business after questions. It consisted chiefly of urgent measures which must be passed into law before the end of the year. There was the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, which extended for another year twenty-four Acts of Parliament, including a number which came into existence during the war. The bill did not commend itself to Commander Hilton Young, who declared that it was, in fact, a public nuisance. He suggested that all these temporary Acts should be closely investigated, with a view to ascertaining whether there was any real necessity for their continuance. The suggestion was considered quite reasonable by Colonel Walter Guinness, who promised to re-appoint the Committee which sat two years ago to consider the measure. The bill was read a second time.

The second reading of a bill to extend for a year the power to canal companies to charge the increased rates for which they obtained authorisation at the end of the war, was objected to by the Labour Party, as a monopolists' measure; but the motion was carried by 257 votes to 81.

No opposition was offered to another small measure, extending for a further year the Act passed twelve months ago, which grants rating relief to farmers. It was read a second time.

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Government business was concluded soon after 7 o'clock, and several hours, therefore, were available for discussion. Mr. Buchanan promptly utilised the formal motion to adjourn by calling attention to the working of the Unemployment Insurance Act. He was assisted in his endeavours to keep the House in being by nearly all his fellow-Clydeside members, and a goodly sprinkling of other Labour representatives. Benefit, it was alleged, was refused on the most trivial and flimsy grounds. Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, the new Minister of Labour, expressed his anxiety that all genuine cases should be properly treated.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—A depression which is advancing from the Atlantic will cause mild weather, with occasional rain and freshening southerly to south-westerly winds in the West and North, but over most of England winds will remain light, and there will be fog in most places to-night and during a part of to-morrow. It will become less general later.

N.W. Ireland. — Wind southerly to south-westerly, becoming fresh to strong; cloudy; some rain; visibility moderate to good; rather mild.

N.E., S.E. and S.W. Ireland.—Wind southerly, freshening; cloudy; some rain; visibility moderate to good; rather mild.

S.W. Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland. — Wind south-easterly to southerly, light or moderate to fresh; cloudy; local fog; sea slight to moderate.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind southerly to south-westerly, light or moderate, freshening later; cloudy; some drizzle; fog locally at first; sea moderate.

N.W. Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.—Wind southerly to south-westerly, strong to a gale; dull, intermittent rain; visibility moderate to good; sea rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Thursday (5 p.m.)		30.20

SUN.

To-day.... Rises ..	8.31	Sets		4. 7
To-morrow.. „ ..	8.32	„		4. 7
Lighting-up Time				5. 7

HIGH WATER.
DUBLIN.

To-day.... Morning 11.45	Afternoon		—
To-morrow.. „ .. 0.10	„		0.31

KING OF NORWAY IN ENGLAND.

The King of Norway arrived at Newcastle-on-Tyne yesterday, having made the voyage from Bergen in the steamship Leda. He left by the 4.25 train *en route* for Sandringham.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Earl of Cromer, Lord Chamberlain, was received in audience by the King yesterday morning at Buckingham Palace, and presented an address from the House of Lords, to which His Majesty was graciously pleased to make reply. The Right Hon. Sir Joynson-Hicks, Bart., M.P., Secretary of State for the Home Department, also had an audience of the King. The Princess Mary Viscountess Lascelles dined with Their Majesties last evening.

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The King of Norway has arrived in London, and has joined Queen Maud at Marlborough House, where she has been staying since Wednesday. To-morrow they will leave for Appleton House, King's Lynn, where their son, the Crown Prince Olaf, arrived last week.

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Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles have been visiting several of the picture exhibitions now open in London, and spent some time in inspecting Philip Rickman's water-colours, two of which they purchased. On Wednesday the Princess was present at the matinée at the Savoy Theatre, in aid of the Great Ormond street Hospital for Sick Children. A number of clever amateurs presented Mr. Somerset Maughan's comedy, "The Circle," and Schnitzler's "The Farewell Supper," before a large and appreciative audience.

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According to present arrangements, Princess Victoria will leave England next week for Lugano, where she will remain during the cold season. Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll will visit Chelsea to-day, and will open a new ward in the Victoria Hospital for Children, which has been provided by the bequest of the late Mr. T. Lampard Green. Princess Marie Louise was present last night at the Three Arts Ball in the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, and distributed the prizes for the best and most original costumes.

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Owing to indisposition, the Marchioness of Dufferin and Ava was unable to fulfil her promise of opening the Poppyland Fair at Hove yesterday, but the Marquis of Dufferin took her place. Lord Atkinson is suffering from a cold, and is remaining indoors. Viscountess Campden is laid up at her London residence with a severe cold. The Earl of Mar and Kellie is now convalescent, and, with the Countess, is in residence at Alloa House, Clackmannan. Lady Wilson continues to make good progress towards recovery.

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Lady Betty Balfour has met with a rather serious accident. While walking with her brother-in-law, the Earl of Balfour, across the lawn at her Surrey residence, she slipped, and, falling heavily, fractured her leg in two places. Though she is making satisfactory progress, she will be laid up for some time, and this may cause a change of date for the wedding of her only son, Mr. Robert Lytton Balfour, whose engagement to Miss Jean Cooke-Yarborough was recently announced.

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Yesterday afternoon Lady Ardilaun gave a musical party at The Small House, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, when an interesting programme of vocal and instrumental music was contributed by Madame Borel, Mr. J. L. Woods, Miss Nancy Lord (violin), and Miss Dorothy Stokes (pianoforte). Mr. Woods rendered Schumann's "The Two Grenadiers," with artistic feeling, and was equally successful in two other items, "The Shepherdess" and "Windy Night." Miss Lord and Miss Stokes were heard with keen appreciation in a nocturne by Chopin, and in Greig's sonata in C minor.

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Captain the Hon. Harry de Vere Pery and Mrs. Pery celebrated their golden wedding on Wednesday at Littlecourt, near Tadworth, Surrey. Captain Pery is the youngest son of the second Earl of Limerick, and is uncle of the present peer. He entered the Royal Navy as a boy, and later joined the Royal Munster Fusiliers. On retiring he was made a Resident Magistrate in County Wicklow, a post which he held for thirty years. He married the daughter of the late Mr. Robert Knox, of the Diplomatic Service, and till quite recently lived at Thursby, Blackrock.

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The Duchess of Abercorn and Lady Katharine Hamilton will leave London early next week for Baronscourt, County Tyrone, where the Duke of Abercorn will join them before Christmas.

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Sir John Ross, Bart., was 71 yesterday. He was the last of the Irish Lord Chancellors. He is the eldest son of the Rev. Robert Ross, of Derry, formerly Moderator of the Irish Presbyterian Assembly, and sat as M.P. for Derry from 1892 till 1895.

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Lord and Lady Rathdonnell have arrived at Bournemouth from Lisnavagh, County Carlow, Ireland.

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The marriage between Charles Hartland Mahon, son of the late Captain Mahon and Mrs. Mahon, of Burren House, Kilbrittain, and Isma, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Devonshire P. Hawkes, recently of Barry's Hall, Timoleague, now of Embrook House, Wokingham, Berks, will take place on January 8th at Wokingham Parish Church.

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The Fitzwilliam Lawn Tennis Club Ball, which will take place in Clery's Imperial Ballroom, Dublin, to-night, promises to be a great success. Many parties have been made up for the festivity, and there has been a large demand for tickets.

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Mr. E. J. Rogers has returned to his Studio at 50 Grafton street.

Switzers have just received a beautiful assortment of Smart Pure Silk Stockings in the very latest shades. Prices 5s. 11d. to 21s. 9d. See Grafton street windows.

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Christmas Gifts—Each section is laden with wonderfully Choice, Dainty and Practical Gifts. Rich Furs, Lovely Frocks, Sports Wear, Jumpers, Gloves, Umbrellas, etc.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South

Salthill Hotel—Friday, 26th December, Children's Dance and Christmas Tree, 3 to 6 o'clock. Tickets strictly limited.

Barry, 25 St. Stephen's Green—Sale, Monday and Tuesday, December 15th and 16th.

Madame Renée announces that this week she is clearing all Millinery at half price.—Harry street (off Grafton street).

"The Crock of Gold," 32 South Anne street, for original and attractive Christmas Gifts, Celtic Cards and Calendars.

In Russet Irish Tweed—Well tailored Coat, faced with suède, for 8½ gns. at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—Mr. and Mrs. L. Cox, Mrs. H. D. Mallard, Lady Horne, Miss K. Kelly, Miss S. W. Campbell, Norman Goodbody, Walter Campbell, Denis Johnston, Rev. O. A. Crawford Irwin, Dr. George Robinson, Cecil A. Gotching.

Departures:—Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Heard, W. R. L. G. Proctor, Miss G. O'Mahony, Dr. Elsie Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bradley, James Lenehan, H. W. Luttrell, Henry Dundas, R. J. Barrett.

Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

McBirney and Co.'s Great Toy Fair and Christmas Gift Bazaar now open.

Attractive and inexpensive Evening Gowns are now being shown at Mansfield Sisters, 28 Wicklow street.

Acceptable Gifts. Model Millinery. Reduced prices.—M. Cathcart, 26 Dawson street.

Furs—Annual December Sale of High-Class Furs at very reduced prices.—David Vard, 24 Grafton street (1st floor). Window show at 16 Duke street.

MOTORING IN IRELAND.

NEW REGULATIONS FROM NEXT MAY.

The British Ministry of Transport have informed the Royal Automobile Club that the Government of the Irish Free State has acceded to the International Convention of the 11th October, 1909. The distinctive letters adopted by the Irish Free State under Article 4 of the Convention will be "S. E.," and under Article 13 of the Convention the accession of the Irish Free State will become operative as from 1st May, 1925.

The question of the circulation of motor vehicles between Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the Irish Free State is under consideration by the Governments concerned, but for the present the existing informal inter-validity arrangements as regards vehicle and drivers' licences will continue.

LONDON LETTER.

THE GREAT FOG.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
THURSDAY NIGHT.

London has had another long and dreary day of smoke-laden fog. There was, however, now and again a slight indication that better things might be looked for, since there was a break for a few moments in places. Railway traffic was seriously dislocated, and a great amount of shipping is held up in the Thames. Dr. Owens, an expert on fogs, said that the fog to-day was not nearly as dense as that of yesterday; for there were only twenty-seven thousand soot particles at noon to-day as compared with fifty thousand at noon yesterday, and one hundred thousand at four o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the visitation was at its worst. He was of opinion that, in view of the absence of wind, the fog might be expected to last some time. About nine o'clock this evening, however, it began to lift, and the streets became fairly clear.

Public Inconvenience.

Apart from the great amount of inconvenience caused by the fog, considerable and real suffering is being caused to many thousands of people. The railways have had to reduce their suburban traffic to 40 *per cent.* of the usual service, and this means great overcrowding on long and anxious journeys. Last night I had to travel eleven miles. The journey occupied just over two hours, and was performed, in company with thirteen other people, in a compartment seated for six. We considered ourselves fortunate in a well-lighted and well-warmed carriage, but there are many thousands who have to do without such comforts, and are packed even more tightly. It is interesting, however, to watch the good humour displayed. Everybody seems to recognise that the railway companies are doing their utmost to cope with circumstances which they cannot control.

Political Prosecutions.

The Prime Minister informed the House of Commons this afternoon that instructions given by the late Government that no political prosecutions should be conducted by the Attorney-General without permission of the Cabinet have been excised by the present Government. The announcement came as a great surprise to the members, and the House generally agreed with Mr. Baldwin when he said that the Government considered such instructions subversive of the administration of justice. Mr. Macdonald wanted to know how it was that this Cabinet information could be published, but Mr. Baldwin said that the instructions were found in a department, presumably that of the Attorney-General. Probably more will be heard of this subject; for Mr. Thomas was very anxious to secure an admission from Mr. Baldwin that the practice was not a novel one. It is quite possible that a similar step was taken during the war, but even Mr. Thomas will admit that the circumstances then were most exceptional.

The New House.

There is a feeling in the House of Commons that debating conditions very probably will change in the new Parliament. The Clydeside members, who have betaken themselves to the back bench on the Opposition side of the House, are not likely to have things so much their own way. This afternoon they tried more than once during the question hour to intervene by shouting and standing with outstretched arm, but there was such a roar of "Order" from the other side of the House that they had to resume their seats. This meant that they accepted the situation, and it is a good omen for the future, since it is shown that members no longer will be influenced by the emotional Scotsmen, and will not allow themselves to be diverted from legitimate business by unnecessary scenes.

Mr. Churchill's Speech.

Mr. Churchill considerably enhanced his Parliamentary reputation by his statesmanlike explanation last night of the policy which the Government proposes to follow with regard to the question of inter-Allied indebtedness. The Socialists regard him as their arch-enemy, and interruptions of his first speech as Chancellor of the Exchequer would not have been surprising. There was nothing, however, of a partisan character in his review of the position, and nothing to ruffle the feelings of our debtors among the Allied Powers in his statement that Britain should not be the only country to discharge the indebtedness incurred by the war. In all parties in Parliament there is a majority favourable to the policy put forward by Mr. Churchill, and there is reason for hope that, when the Chancellor meets the Allied Finance Ministers in Paris next month, there will be agreement as to the fairness of the British attitude.

The Cat Burglar.

London is becoming seriously alarmed over the operations of the so-called "Cat" burglar, and the last forty-eight hours have placed a very heavy strain on the police, who, in response to innumerable appeals, have been constantly on the watch. During that short period nearly six thousand pounds' worth of property has been stolen from houses in the Park Lane area. Scores of additional police have been placed on duty during the last few weeks, but the "Cat" gang has escaped capture with extraordinary skill, and, in fact, it is not certain that one of the burglars has ever been seen. In some of the London suburbs the inhabitants have set up night watches of their own, and these parade the districts at all hours. Inhabitants of the very highly-rated houses in the neighbourhood of Park Lane, however, scarcely can be expected to act as their own policemen.

New Railway Demands.

The demands put forward by the National Union of Railwaymen have completely staggered the railway world, and it is asserted without hesitation that they will be strongly opposed. The demands are the most extensive and sweeping ever put forward; for the advance in wages alone represents several millions a year. Pensions for all grades at sixty, drastic reduction of hours, elimination of casual labour, and inclusion of grades not now covered show that the demands have been prepared most carefully. The railway companies are anxious to know why it is that these demands are being made at the present time, with falling returns all round, and point out that the bulk of the additional expenditure must fall upon the public. The demands must go automatically to the Central Wages Board in the first instance, and Mr. J. H. Thomas is to act as the leading advocate in the presentation of this new and most ambitious programme.

Christmas Draws.

In view of the police warnings with reference to sweepstakes and to lotteries of other descriptions, public announcements are not being made this year with regard to draws for Christmas hampers. Nevertheless, they are being held just the same, and, though nominally they may be confined to members of a certain club or to those associated with a certain office or institution, the tickets are usually quite easily obtainable by those prepared to pay for them.

MR. COSGRAVE'S HOLIDAY.

NICE, Thursday.

Mr. Cosgrave, who is staying here with Mrs. Cosgrave for a rest after his recent illness, went for a walk yesterday. He refuses to see anyone, and has given instructions at his hotel that his presence there shall not be made known. He hopes to stay here about a month.—(Reuter.)

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A SAVING OF £150,000.

THE FREE STATE LAND ACT.

MONEY AT 4½%.

WHAT THE BRITISH GUARANTEE MEANS.

References to the credit of the Free State were made in the House of Commons yesterday, when the question of guaranteeing £30,000,000 for the purpose of land purchase in the Free State was raised.

It was stated that already Great Britain had found £131,000,000 for Irish land purchase, and the present measure was the result of a financial agreement signed by Mr. Cosgrave and a representative of the British Government in February, 1923.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Amery, said that the British Government were putting forward the bill to strengthen the position of the Free State in the market conditions of the moment, while Mr Walter Guinness said that the Free State would provide for the interest and sinking fund under the scheme.

Mr. Walter Runciman said that, while the British Government could borrow at 4½ per cent. (the proposed interest on the £30,000,000), the Free State Government could not get the money under 5 per cent.

The British guarantee will, therefore, save the Free State taxpayer £150,000 a year—or, roughly, £10,000,000 on the whole loan.

DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

WHAT THE BRITISH GUARANTEE MEANS.

Mr. Walter Guinness moved: "That it is expedient to authorise the Treasury to guarantee the payment of the principal and the interest on any loan issued by the Government of the Irish Free State for the purpose of land purchase in the Irish Free State, so that the securities so guaranteed do not in the aggregate exceed £30,000,000 sterling in nominal amount, and to charge on the Consolidated Fund any moneys required to fulfil any such guarantee."

He asked the Committee to give the Government Committee stage of the resolution in order to carry out a long-standing commitment to complete land purchase in the Irish Free State. Already Great Britain had found £131,000,000 for the object of Irish land purchase, and it was proposed that this process, which had been very beneficial in Ireland, should be completed by the measure which would be based upon this resolution.

The present Act dated from the financial agreement signed by Mr. Hills in February, 1923, on behalf of the British Government, and by Mr. Cosgrave, on behalf of the Irish Free State, and it laid down that the Irish Free State Government should finance the scheme and should issue Irish Stock at 4½ per cent., the capital and interest of which, subject to a provision for redemption, should be guaranteed by the British Government in the same way as it guaranteed Colonial and Dominion loans. The Irish Free State would provide for interest and sinking fund under this scheme.

Last year, in pursuance of this agreement, the Irish Free State Government passed an Act to deal with the machinery of land purchase under the Land Act of last year. The owners would be paid in 4½ per cent. Bonds. The purchase price was fixed in relation to the rent in the case of tenanted land.

AN ILLUSTRATION.

The standard price depended upon an annuity, which the tenant would pay after the land vested in the Land Commission. The standard price of the annuity was fixed at 65 per cent., in the case of rent prior to August 10th, and 70 per cent. in the case of rent subsequently fixed on the present rent, which was being paid. The standard price was arrived at from that annuity, and was a capital sum which was represented at 4¾ per cent. by the standard purchased annuity.

He illustrated this by taking a holding for which a present rental was fixed before 1911 at £100 a year. Sixty-five per cent. of that would be a standard purchase annuity. That, at 4¾ per cent., represented a capital of £1,368. Over and above that sum there was a bonus of 10 per cent., which brought the total to £1,505.

The House would see that in the case of the earlier rents the landlord, the seller, would get 15 years' purchase on his present gross rental. In the case of untenanted land, the price, in default of agreement, would be fixed by the Land Commission, with a provision for appeal to the Judicial Commission. It was very urgent that British bonds should implement this bargain, because already under the Irish Land Act some of this land had been vested in the Land Commission, and as soon as it was vested, the landlord ceased to receive rent.

On the other hand, he had got to pay encumbrance at 7 per cent., towards which, perhaps, he had received nothing, but when the bonds were issued he would receive 4½ per cent. As soon as the bonds were issued the British guarantees would be available to make sure that the bonds should not be on the market at a depreciated price.

The bill to be based on this financial resolution was the same bill which was introduced by the late Government. He was glad to know it was in no sense a party question, and that support was forthcoming from all quarters of the House. The guarantee given by the bill was limited to a sum of £30,000,000 in bonds. The tenanted land which was to be taken over was approximately 1,200,000 acres, and would involve bonds to the value of £18,000,000.

With the untenanted land, of course, it was less easy to fix a definite estimate. The whole of the untenanted land in the congested districts would be taken over, and so much other untenanted land in other parts of Ireland as was necessary to relieve congestion. Assuming that about half a million acres of untenanted land were taken over at a price of about £120 an acre, there would be sufficient money within the £30,000,000 to cover the whole operation, and also to finance various subsidiary purposes, such as costs and the paying off of certain incident expenses.

The guarantee under the bill would run for 80 years, and this long period was necessary because, although the bonds would be redeemable by half-yearly drawings over a period of 67 years, there must be a considerable margin of time owing to the fact that there would be a long delay in deciding on the untenanted land to be bought, and there would be a further delay in retransferring the untenanted lands to their new owners, and bringing in the contributions of those owners in the form of purchase annuities to the service of the debt.

The bill provided for the service of the loan on the basis of 4½ per cent. interest and ½ per cent. sinking fund, and this would be secured—first on the purchase by annuities, and secondly on the Irish Free State Central Fund, which corresponds to the British Consolidated Fund.

The guarantee was only to take effect when the Treasury and the Secretary of State for the Colonies were satisfied that the Irish Free State had carried out the necessary arrangements.

He thought, therefore, that the House might be satisfied that in assenting to this financial resolution, and to the bill that would be based upon it, they would merely, as so often before, be backing Dominion credit with no real risk to the British Exchequer.

FREE STATE FINANCE.

Mr. Runciman said that he understood that the bill was to carry out agreements made at the time of the Treaty, and was one which the late Government would have carried through if it had remained in office. It was not open to the House to upset the arrangements made, but he hoped those in charge of the bill would not think it improper if they examined briefly the heavy obligations involved in the matter.

He understood that the bill merely continued land purchase as it had been proceeding in Ireland, and that the only alteration under the guarantee was one of interest, made to meet market changes, and not for any political consideration. He should like it to be made clear that this £30,000,000 meant the completion of Irish land purchase.

The House was the guardian of the public purse, and he hoped the Secretary for the Colonies would not take it amiss if they wished to make sure that the money would be used to the best advantage, and that this would finally close the account. It had not been made clear what security they would have for the guarantee, and he should also like to ask why the Free State had not raised the money themselves.

The Irish Free State had made attempts to borrow money, and negotiations had proceeded in many quarters. Part of the answer to that question, perhaps, was this—that the Irish Free State could not borrow at less than ½ per cent. more than the British Government could borrow at. If the House was given the fuller information he asked for, he thought it would be ready to give the guarantee on the understanding that British interests were being protected.

Sir Frederick Wise asked whether it would be possible if British credit went to a 3½ per cent. basis to redeem the bonds, and issue further bonds at 3½ p.c.

Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy complained that the resolution was being taken under procedure intended only for emergencies.

Colonel Guinness explained that full notice had been given.

Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy said that he accepted that statement, and withdrew his remarks. He was very glad to hear what the Financial Secretary had said about the possible reduction in the cost of money. He was told that it was expected money would become cheaper. He hoped that the Treasury would take full advantage of that possibility.

Mr. Erskine hoped it would be clearly stated how much was to be charged to the English taxpayer.

COLONIAL SECRETARY EXPLAINS.

Mr. Amery, in order to remove misunderstandings, explained that the whole question concerned payments to the landlords in Ireland in the form of bonds issued by the Irish Government, and in order that these bonds should represent to the landlords the full value of what Free State legislation had given, it was desirable that this Government should stand behind that arrangement and see that the landlords did not incur a heavy loss.

There was no question of raising money, but of seeing that the landlords should not be temporarily losers by the weakness of Free State finance. The security of the English Government was the solvency of the Irish Free State as a British Dominion. He did not think there would be any failure on the part of the Irish Free State.

The British Government of this Parliament were not assuming any real obligation. What it was doing was to strengthen the position of the Free State in the market conditions of the moment. These market conditions were such that they must have the backing of the British Parliament.

The Government regarded the matter as a very serious emergency. If they could get this motion through the House now, they had a definite understanding with the Irish Free State that they would introduce a small amending measure to make their own bill effective as soon as the Irish Parliament assembled after the new year.

Mr. Clynes and Mr. Runciman very briefly expressed approval of the motion, which was then agreed to.

The annual death-rate in Great Britain last week averaged twelve per thousand.

THE INTOXICATING LIQUOR BILL.

DAIL REJECTS SENATE'S AMENDMENTS.

THE REFERENDUM.

By A Political Correspondent.

The Dail has refused to accept the Senate's amendments to the Intoxicating Liquor Bill, which restored the proposal to close all public-houses on St. Patrick's Day and made "mixed trading" illegal after a certain date.

When the bill goes back to the Senate today one of two things must happen. Either the Senate will not insist on its amendments or the bill will be "held up" for 270 days, after which it will be deemed to have been passed by both Houses in the form in which it was passed by the Dail yesterday. If the Senate accepts the present situation, the bill will be signed by the Governor-General after the expiration of seven days and will become law before Christmas. If the House insists on its amendments, the licensed trade will continue for another nine months to be governed by the revived Act of 1923.

There is a good deal of talk about a referendum on the rejected amendments. The procedure for such an appeal to the people is not generally understood. If a referendum were sought in the present case, the Senate would have to accept the rejection of its amendments, and nothing could be done for 270 days. At the end of that time there would be an interval of seven days, in which the Senate, by a simple majority of its members, could demand the suspension of the bill for another ninety days. It is provided that the bill shall be submitted to a referendum if, before the expiration of those ninety days, such is demanded (a) by a resolution of the Senate, assented to by three-fifths of the members; or (b) by a petition signed by not less than one-twentieth of the voters then on the register of voters. At least twelve months from now must elapse before a referendum on the present bill could be taken, and then the decision of the people would be "Yes" or "No" for the whole bill, and not for any particular portion of it. The people can initiate legislation on any subject, but that is an altoget[her] different thing from a referendum on Mr. O'Higgins's bill. The procedure is long and involved.

The Minister for Fisheries informed me yesterday that he hopes to have his new Fisheries Bill ready for submission to the House next week. It has been approved by the Minister for Local Government, and it awaits the sanction of the Minister for Finance. The difficulty in making headway with the Local Government Bill may cause its introduction to be postponed until next session. The bill is anxiously awaited by all interested in the development of the Free State fisheries, more especially in inland waters.

CHRISTMAS MAILS.

POST OFFICE REGULATIONS.

The current *Post Office Gazette* calls attention to the large number of Christmas and New Year cards which are posted every year to places abroad at the reduced rate (a halfpenny for two ounces) applicable to printed papers, and which have to be returned to senders (or destroyed if they do not bear sender's name and address) because they contravene the regulations. These cards cannot be sent at the reduced rate unless they can be easily withdrawn from the covers for examination, and unless they contain only the conventional complimentary greetings, the number of words of which must not exceed five.

ADDRESSES ON PARCELS.

Senders of parcels through the post are advised not to use "tie-on" labels owing to the risk of loss and delay likely to result from such labels becoming detached in transit. The Post Office will not accept liability for loss arising from such a cause. The address should be written on the cover of the parcel.

CROSS-CHANNEL SERVICES.

The day and night mails between London and Holyhead will be suspended on Christmas Day, and on St. Stephen's Day the up night mail will be suspended. The travelling post offices in the Free State will not run on Christmas Day, nor will the day mail on December 26. The night mail will run as usual.

The Indian, Australian, and the South African mails will be closed in Dublin on the 24th. There will be no air mail despatches to the Continent on either Christmas or St. Stephen's Days.

The air mail for Baghdad will be despatched from Dublin on the 23rd inst. instead of on the following day.

NAVY PENSIONS.

Navy allowances and pensions which fall due on Christmas Day will be paid on the 24th.

ARMISTICE DAY APPEAL.

GENEROUS RESPONSE IN FREE STATE.

The British Legion Appeal Department announces officially that the number of Flanders Poppies sold in the Irish Free State on November 8 and 11 last was 220,000, and the total amount subscribed to the Earl Haig Fund was £3,587 9s. This is more than double the amount collected last year when, it will be remembered, the demand for poppies exceeded the supply.

Dublin City, of course, heads the list with £1,604; Rathmines collected £422; so that well over half the grand total was subscribed in Dublin. Kingstown was next with £259, and then Cork with £199; Limerick £137. Bray returned £89, Waterford City £56, and Nenagh £55. At the other end of the list are Ardee and Enniscorthy, each with one shilling. Nothing at all was collected in the whole of Counties Donegal and Leitrim, and only 5s. in the whole of Monaghan. We append a list of county returns:—

Carlow, £28 6s.; Cavan, £10 17s. 3d.; Clare, £11 13s. 6d.; Cork, £333 9s. 7d.; Donegal, nil; Dublin, £2,470 1s.; Galway, £9 16s. 11d.; Kerry, £32 8s. 8d.; Kildare, £12 7s.; Kilkenny, £3 3s.; King's, £28 9s.; Leitrim, nil; Limerick, £146 4s. 6d.; Longford, £31 10s. 6d.; Louth, £13 12s. 8d.; Mayo, £33 3s. 6d.; Meath, £24 3s.; Monaghan, 5s.; Queen's, £26 6s. 7d.; Roscommon £3 3s. 6d.; Sligo, £42 0s. 1d.; Tipperary, £116 8s. 2d.; Waterford, £75 17s. 6d.; Westmeath, £30 0s. 1d.; Wexford, £13 12s. 6d.; Wicklow £90 9s. 6d.

CHEAPER TURKEYS.

PLENTIFUL SUPPLY IN IN THE MARKETS.

Live turkeys were on offer at many provincial markets yesterday. Supplies were plentiful, and prices dropped far below the hopes of the breeders, many of whom took their birds home again. A week ago the average price was 1s. 9d., but yesterday 1s. 3d. was the best obtainable, and that was at Lurgan Poultry Market. At Clones the price was 1s. 1d. Opening offers at Athy were 1s., but there was little business doing at that figure, and the price dropped to 10d., and then 9d. There were thousands of birds on offer, but buyers evidently expect more advantageous prices, and most of the birds were unsold. At Ardee the price was between 9d. and 1s.

Retail prices in England are expected to show an all-round drop of 4d. on the average price last Christmas. English birds, it is expected, will be 2s., and Irish 1s. 9d. In Dublin, it may be noted, the shop prices yesterday were 1s. 10d. to 2s. for the best birds. French turkeys will be 1s. 6d. to 1s. 9d., Italian 1s. 5d., and Hungarian 1s. 3d. English buyers do not anticipate a glut, but say that they have received excellent reports from the home and Irish breeding farms.

THE LAURENTIC'S GOLD.

REWARDS FOR GOOD SALVAGE WORK.

Hazardous and successful work performed throughout several summers past by the ship's company of the naval salvage vessel, Racer, in the recovery of gold from the sunken armed liner Laurentic is acknowledged by the Admiralty in an order issued at Portsmouth. The officers and men are to share between them one-eighth per cent. of the value recovered this year. Various promotions are also ordered, including the advance of Commander Dagant to the rank of Captain on the retired list, while the King has awarded several medals of the civil division of the Order of the British Empire.

ARMED ROBBERS.

RAILWAY STATION SAFE CARRIED AWAY.

Early on Thursday morning the booking-office at Lismore Railway Station was forcibly entered by five armed men, who had previously "held up" the night signalman in his cabin.

Prising open a window, the robbers got into the booking-office and removed the safe to the platform, where they broke it open. It is believed to have contained a considerable sum of money.

LONDON'S "RECORD" FOG.

TRAFFIC PARALYSED.

Fog again enveloped the greater part of the British Isles yesterday, and extraordinary scenes were witnessed in London. Hundreds of 'buses were marooned for hours; great flares were installed at crossings, and link boys were employed to lead people home. Late last night the fog began to clear, and there were indications that the weather was changing.

Thousands of people suffered great inconvenience and discomfort during Tuesday night. Surface railway services were hopelessly dislocated. The number of trains on suburban lines was reduced to 40 per cent. of the normal. Passengers on a train which left Charing Cross for Hastings at midnight reached their destination at five a.m., instead of two o'clock.

SHIPPING MISHAPS.

The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's liner, Arcadian, returning from a cruise in the Mediterranean, grounded in a dense fog off the Needles at mid-day yesterday. Three tugs were ordered to proceed from Southampton to the vessel's assistance, but owing to the fog they could not leave the docks. At 8.30 p.m. the Arcadian refloated, and anchored in a place of safety. There are 250 passengers on board, but the ship has sustained no injury.

DOUBLE MISHAP.

The cross-Channel steamer, Versailles, grounded inside the breakwater at Newhaven yesterday afternoon. It left Dieppe at one o'clock with forty-seven passengers, and made a good trip across the Channel, until near the English coast, when it ran into a dense fog, and in trying to make the harbour went aground. It got off under its own steam three hours later, but so dense was the fog that on entering the harbour it struck both piers and sustained damage to the bows. The passengers landed at eight o'clock.

The passenger steamer which left Cowes for Southampton at 5.45 p.m. on Wednesday was obliged to anchor in the Solent until five o'clock yesterday morning. Ordinarily the passage takes an hour.

The British and Irish vessel which left Liverpool at ten o'clock on Wednesday night for Dublin was fog-bound in the Mersey where it remained at anchor until daylight. The vessel then made a cautious passage to the Liffey and berthed at three o'clock yesterday afternoon, some eight hours late.

LORRY OVER MOUNTAINSIDE.

In a dense fog last night a six-ton steam lorry, travelling near Abertillery, tumbled over the mountainside, turning three somersaults on to a road twenty yards below. The driver, Charles Park, was thrown clear of the cabin, and sustained only slight injuries, but his companion, Frederick Hiscocks, was pinned underneath the engine, which caught fire, and he was badly hurt by steam and red-hot cinders. He was extricated in a serious condition, but is likely to recover.

ANTI-WAR CONFERENCE.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
AMSTERDAM, Thursday.

The Executive of the International Trade Union Federation has decided to convene an Anti-War Conference at the same time and place as the Disarmament Conference of the League of Nations.

AN EXPENSIVE GOVERNMENT.

FARMERS' SEVERE CRITICISM.

ARMY OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

ECONOMY DEMANDED IN FREE STATE.

The National Executive of the Irish Farmers' Union, which met yesterday at 37 Upper Fitzwilliam street, Dublin, and at which Senator Lenihan presided, condemned the expenditure of the Government, and suggested that there is no need for an army of 25,000 public officials in the Free State.

PUBLIC RESENTMENT.

Mr. D. L. O'Gorman said that the general opinion expressed by the people of the Free State was that the Government was unnecessarily extravagant. The last five by-elections clearly indicated this. In these elections only 176,000 voters went to the polls—considerably less than 50 per cent. of the electorate. He thought that the plain and obvious deduction from that was that the majority did not think it worth while to vote. It was their method of expressing disapproval of the extravagant policy pursued by the Government. That extravagant policy was felt most keenly by the farmers, who, it was being recognised, were carrying every class on their backs.

Was the Government's method of business a sound one, he asked. Repeatedly they had been admonished to study and follow Danish methods. He advised the Government to follow the methods and example of the Danish Government, where the Budget was only £14,000,000, compared with £37,000,000 in the Free State. It was inexcusable that entire bodies of public servants had been put on one side and pensioned. The people in the country criticised that policy and said bluntly, "it was to make room for their friends—to make jobs." His view was that the Government policy at the present moment was not for the benefit of the common people.

The speaker also referred to the postponement of the local elections, and said deliberately that if the existing county councils got a further lease of life and were permitted to strike a new rate, it would go far to bankrupt the unfortunate farmers. It was to be deplored that the Farmers' Party had not attracted the support which it deserved. One of the reasons, he thought, for that was that the farmers of the country had not got a clear, decisive lead from the Farmers' Party in the Dail. He believed that if the farmers in the Dail insisted in and out of season on a truly economic policy they would rally the farmers of the country to their support.

He proposed a resolution that—"We consider the Government expenditure is more than the capacity of the country warrants."

GOVERNMENT'S DIFFICULTIES.

Colonel O'Callaghan-Westropp said, to be strictly fair, they should recognise that the present Government took up its functions under unexampled difficulties. They were practically untried men, and, with scarcely a breathing space to get things into working order, they were confronted with a civil war, and since then they had been confronted with worse than civil war—industrial war. One of the greatest needs of the country was agricultural credit. That credit could not stand higher than national credit, and they should all aim, therefore, at restoring the national credit, so that agricultural credit would rise with it. Let the Government deal with the high cost of living and profiteering. By so doing they would bring down the cost of labour and transit. It was only along plain business lines that the road to proper national economy lay. There had been wholesale creation of jobs and pensions, but before getting rid of the "old gang" and getting in the new, they should not make the burden an intolerable one. They should demand reasonable economy, and pull down the cost of living.

ARMY OF OFFICIALS.

Deputy D. Gorey said that he did not believe that any army of 25,000 officials was necessary to carry on the affairs of the State. In his opinion, the Civil Service was overstaffed, and the only way to prove the truth or otherwise of that suggestion was by the appointment of an independent Commission to deal with national expenditure. He emphasised that local expenditure was heavier than national expenditure, and blamed every man in every county as much as he blamed the Government, which was only the mouthpiece of the people. He wanted the country to realise that they could not afford to keep gentlemen and aristocrats in local life.

Referring to Mr. O'Gorman's criticism of the action of the Farmers' Party in the Dail, as leader of that Party he asked what more could they have done? Did their critics suggest that they should take off their coats and kick up a row in the Dail? He said to these critics that the Farmer's Party was not going to get down to the level of the common rowdy. He submitted that the Farmers' Party was second to no body in the Dail in regard to honour and integrity—he would not say anything about ability—and they had as much respect for their constituents as any other elected representatives.

Mr. Conor Hogan suggested the abolition of bonuses in cases where salaries of over £500 were paid. Referring to the "dole," he stated that he did not believe in giving loungers money for nothing. All able-bodied men should be made to do something reproductive for the "dole."

RETRENCHMENT NECESSARY.

Sir John Keane said that they had a golden opportunity to make the country prosperous, as they had no national debt in comparison with England. He was afraid that for some years to come they would find it increasingly difficult to induce the investment of outside capital owing to the double income tax. He emphasised the necessity of a policy of retrenchment, which would change the whole attitude of their credit institutions, the national banks. He would like the appointment of something like the Geddes Commission, which would consist of experts. A small committee of experts could deal with this matter if a definite proposal was put up.

Deputy Wilson said that he agreed with the resolution. He pointed out that the Free State inherited a system of social legislation that cost for old age pensions £2,000,000 and education £4,000,000. In addition they had the application of the foreign unemployment benefit. Central charges, over which they had no control, were costing the country £4,000,000. The Army and the Police were costing £6,000,000 per annum, but if the people remained quiet this sum could be reduced to £3,000,000. He believed that in the next Budget there would be a reduction in the income tax. If they did get this they would try to get a reduction of the corporation tax. Retrenchment could only be effected by a reduction of staffs. They should make every effort to have the income taxe reduced by 2s. in the pound, and thus encourage the development of business.

Deputy McKenna said that the population of the Irish Free State was 3,180,000, and £12 per head was being paid for the Government. Eliminating woman and children, that meant that there were one million workers to provide that money. The Farmers' Party was responsible for the reduction in the cost of the Army from eleven to four millions.

The motion was adopted.

TAXATION ON ROAD VEHICLES.

On the taxation of road vehicles and the general question of road maintenance, a resolution was adopted, proposing a tax on motor fuel in substitution for that on horse power.

SIR ROBERT HORNE LEAVES BALDWINS.

Attached to the report of Baldwins, Ltd., issued last night, is the following announcement:—"Since the directors' report and accounts were in the printers' hands the Board have received with much regret a letter from Sir Robert Horne announcing that, on account of his many engagements, he reluctantly finds it necessary to resign his position of vice-chairman of the company."

POLICE BILL.

STRENGTH AND PAY OF THE NEW FORCE.

The text of the Irish Free State Police Forces Amalgamation Bill, which provides for the fusion of the Dublin Metropolitan Police with the Civic Guards, was issued yesterday. It consists of 22 sections and five schedules. A general summary of the measure was given in the *Irish Times* last week.

Proposed provisions, not covered in the summary, include that which sets out the maximum strength at which the new force, to be known as the Garda Siochana, is to be maintained. It is to consist of a Commissioner, two Deputy Commissioners, two Assistant Commissioners, a Surgeon, 29 Chief Superintendents, 157 Superintendents, 60 Inspectors, 44 Station Sergeants, 1,350 Sergeants, and 6,000 Guards. General Eoin O'Duffy becomes Commissioner in charge of the whole force, and the Deputy Commissioners will be General W. R. E. Murphy, now Commissioner of the Dublin Metropolitan Police, and Deputy Commissioner Coogan, of the existing force of the Civic Guard. The existing Assistant Commissioners and the Surgeon of the Civic Guard retain their ranks in the amalgamated force. The pay of police at present serving shall, unless "varied by an Order," be in accordance with the present rates and conditions, but new recruits shall be paid according to the existing Garda Siochana scale. The salary of General Murphy will remain unchanged.

The expenses of the amalgamated force are to be paid by the Oireachtas, except that Section 16 sets out that the police rate levied hitherto in the Dublin Metropolitan Area shall, for the local financial year, commencing next after the passing of the Act, be levied at the rate of 8d. in the £, and shall drop each year by one penny for the seven following years, until it shall cease altogether. The amount raised in the eight years shall be applied to the maintenance of the amalgamated force.

In Section 17 it is proposed that the provision in the Garda Siochana Act, 1924, which relates to the formation of representative bodies within that force, shall apply to the amalgamated force.

OBVIOUS AND LOGICAL.

MR. MELLON'S DESCRIPTION OF MR. CHURCHILL'S SPEECH.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
WASHINGTON, Thursday.

Mr. Mellon, the Secretary of the Treasury, to-day described Mr. Churchill's statement on Allied debts as "logical and expected," but said there could be no alteration of the British funding contract.

Senator Reed, in the Senate to-day, said that he would, in due course, call the attention of the Foreign Affairs Committee to Mr. Churchill's statement, which he described as an unwarrantable interference in the relations of the United States with another Power.

PARIS COMMUNISTS.

CITY WORKERS "HELD UP" BY DEMONSTRATION.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
PARIS, Thursday.

A demonstration organised by Communists in the heart of Paris this evening caused great inconvenience to thousands of city workers returning to their homes, but otherwise did little harm.

The Communists gathered in the streets surrounding St. Lazare Station, sung the "Internationale," etc., but they were scattered time after time by squads of police.

Some disturbances occurred, and a good many harmless citizens received blows. A number of arrests were made, but the police had no difficulty in clearing the streets.

THE GENEVA PROTOCOL.

MUSSOLINI ON "LYRICAL GENEVA."

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
ROME, Thursday.

In a speech in Parliament to-day, Signor Mussolini, the Premier, referred to the Geneva Protocol on arbitration and disarmament.

"The atmosphere at Geneva, when the Protocol was passed," he said, "was lyrical; but lyricism is not conducive to serious results."

"Are we," he asked, "going to create a super-State? The questions raised by the Protocol include the problem of sovereignty. However," he added, "if all nations had signed the Protocol, Italy would have done so also, as it was impossible for her to be isolated.

"But when," he added, "you exclude a nation, you have a cause for war. Mr. Chamberlain asked for a postponement of the question for further study, and I think it necessary to study the whole problem again."

Signor Mussolini appears more hostile to the Protocol than Mr. Chamberlain.

MR. GOMPERS DEAD.

WELL-KNOWN AMERICAN LABOUR LEADER.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE
From Our Own Correspondent.
NEW YORK, Thursday.

Mr. Samuel Gompers, the President of the American Federation of Labour, died to-day from heart failure in Mexico City. He had been attending the Pan-American Labour Congress, and it is stated that his heart had become affected by the rarefied atmosphere of Mexico City, which stands 7,350 feet above sea level.

He was carried on a stretcher to the train, but died some hours later.

He is compared in the New York evening papers with the late President Wilson, as a benefactor of the people, and tribute is paid to his idealistic efforts to brighten the lot of the workers.

HELPING GERMANY.

AMERICAN TRIBUTE TO BRITISH "SPORTSMANSHIP."

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Mr. Owen D. Young, speaking at a dinner given by business men of New York City, gave some interesting details regarding the reparations negotiations, this being his first public utterance since his return from Europe.

He uttered a fervent wish that the United States would "establish a definite foreign policy and maintain its continuity free from the horse-play of domestic politics." The recent election in Germany had justified the course taken by the Reichstage in ratifying the plan, according to Mr. Young, who also paid a tribute to the French Government for their willingness to give up the Ruhr for the common good of Europe.

He praised Great Britain for advancing money for German rehabilitation, notwithstanding the competition of German goods in the British market and in those outside. Great Britain, he declared, "did this when there was great unemployment in her country and when her great industries were suffering from serious depression, and when, in the face of this, she had with sportsmanship that can teach us all a lesson, scrupulously met her debts in principle and in practice."—Reuter.)

AEROPLANE IN THE SEA.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
GIBRALTAR, Thursday.

A Spanish military aeroplane, carrying two Spanish officers from Spain to Morocco, came to grief in the Straits of Gibraltar this morning. The pilot, owing to engine trouble, was forced to descend on the water, and the machine sank in a few moments. The pilot and passengers, however, were rescued by some Spanish fishermen who happened to be sailing in the vicinity, and were landed at Algeciras very little the worse for their adventure.

LATE NEWS.

INTER-ALLIED DEBTS.

MR. CHURCHILL'S STATEMENT.

The Times, referring to Mr. Churchill's statement in the House of Commons on the British case in regard to the war debts, observes in a leading article:—The position of this country is particularly strong in the whole matter of war debts. As Mr. Churchill pointed out, the settlement of our debt to America, the terms of which he was at one time disposed to criticise, has not only braced up our credit throughout the world and enabled the pound sterling to look the dollar in the face; it has given Great Britain the right and the power to speak independently and with authority on all proposals for a general settlement of the financial problems left over by the war. We lent the Allies £1,000,000,000 from our own resources, and in order to advance them a further £1,000,000,000 they needed in order to carry on the war we ourselves had to borrow the amount from the United States. Amid these huge figures we are at present moving; they represent the financial burden we are now bearing, unaided. On the nature of this burden there are different points of view. There is our own, there is the American, and there is that of our former Allies. As far as we are concerned, we have met the American view. For various reasons we have left the views of the Allies in abeyance, and have taken no further steps to assert our own view than to issue two years ago the Balfour Note, the general principles of which Mr. Churchill has now reaffirmed. It is, however, perfectly obvious that if America asserts in regard to her debtors and ours claims that compete with our own, and which may involve treatment different from that which has been accorded in the case of the British debt to America, the time has come to lay down the principles on which we desire to proceed.

Our Washington Correspondent says that Mr. Churchill's frank statement has caused some perturbation in American official circles, but he also indicates that in time the average sense of the American people will be impressed by the justice and the logic of the British point of view. It must, at any rate, be remembered that for the present the British Government have merely reminded the Allied and Associated Powers that in any further proposals for debt settlement Great Britain will not consent to be overlooked or ignored.

UNITED STATES SEAPLANE ACCIDENT.

FIVE MEN DROWNED.

The worst accident in the history of American naval flying occurred off San Diego, California, yesterday, when a seaplane manned by a crew of eight slipped into a spin, and from a height of 1,200 feet dropped into the sea, states *The Times* New York Correspondent, in a message yesterday. Three officers and two enlisted men who were in the forward cockpit were all drowned. Three mechanics who were in the after cockpit were extricated unconscious after the destroyer McDermot had beached the wreckage of the seaplane half an hour later. At the time of the accident the seaplane was engaged in practice with the battle fleet.

The dead officers are Lieutenants Varini, Thurston and Roby. Lieutenant Varini, the pilot, was one ofthe most skilful officers in the Service. He was born in Genoa, of Austrian parents, but during the war was attached to a United States seaplane unit operating on the Italian front.

SHARP FIGHTING IN MOROCCO.

SEVERE CASUALTIES.

Telegraphing from Madrid yesterday, *The Times* Correspondent states:—The troops of the garrison of Sheshuan, which have been detained at Sok-el-Arba during a long spell of bad weather, yesterday effected successfully another stage (to Ben Karrik) of their disciplined retirement to Tetuan. The Laraiche column also retired from Muires.

Meanwhile a column, under Colonel Argaz, seized the hill of Menkal, which is being fortified as one of the new posts protecting the Tetuan-Tangier road. The official *communiqué* says that the casualties, which occurred during these operations, "although regrettable, are not disproportionate to the important results obtained."

AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING TROUBLES.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Seamen's Union threatens to declare the Port of Melbourne "black," owing to the dismissal by the Harbours Trust of nine seamen who refuse to take the places of ship painters on strike. The Watersiders' Federation has taken out a summons with the object of obtaining a modification of the Arbitration Court's award regarding "picking up places." The Federation asks that the labour engaged at Sydney be at the wharves only, or that such labour be engaged through the Federation only, thereby automatically abolishing the Sydney Bureau.

DEATH OF PROFESSOR IRVINE HUNTER.

The Times says:—Professor John Irvine Hunter, Professor of Anatomy at the University of Sydney, died at University College Hospital, London, on Wednesday. He became ill on Saturday, and on Monday was found to be suffering from typhoid fever. Three years ago, when at the age of 24, he was appointed to the Chair of Anatomy at the University of Sydney. He was then the youngest professor in the Empire.

ESTHONIAN PREMIER RESIGNS.

UNDISCLOSED EXPERIENCE IN COMMUNIST REVOLT.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
REVAL, Thursday.

Dr. Akel, the Esthonian Prime Minister, has resigned owing to ill-health. The present Minister of Finance, M. Oscar Strandmann, is expected to form the new Cabinet.

Dr. Akel, who is a famous eye-specialist, is an aged man, whose health is broken as the result of his experiences when the Communists overpowered the guard at his residence last week.

It is now revealed that the Communists then seized his aged wife, and used her as a shield whilst chasing the aged Esthonian Premier from room to room, in an attempt to assassinate him.

Dr. Akel was unable to fire upon the Communists for fear of injuring his wife. Mrs. Akel is still lying seriously ill, as the result of this adventure.

Dr. Akel's resignation, coupled with the usual Cabinet crisis in Latvia, has resulted in the postponement of the Baltic conference, due to be held at Helsingfors on December 12.

"BLACK HAND" CRIMES.

SUSPECTS ARRESTED IN ITALY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
From Our Own Correspondent.
PALERMO,

Giorgio Dasaro, who had recently returned to Sicily from America, was arrested at Caccomo, Palermo, to-day, at the instance of the New York police on a charge of robbing two messengers of the Brooklyn Bank of £10,000. It is stated that Dasaro, with two accomplices, stopped the messengers at the point of the revolver. It is further alleged that the three men are members of the notorious gang known as "The Black Hand," and are suspected of complicity in a series of other crimes. Dasaro will be brought before a Palermo court before extradition proceedings begin.

SIR J. M. BARRIE'S HAT-TRICK.

Sir James Barrie, who was made a Freeman of Dumfries yesterday, speaking at a dinner last night said that the great moment in his life was doing the hat trick in a village cricket match.

LOOKING DOWN ON THE BOUNDARY.

COMMISSIONERS AT FLAGSTAFF PEAK.

RECEPTION OF THREE DEPUTATIONS.

From Our Political Correspondent.
ARMAGH, Thursday.

Another eight-hour tour was completed by the Boundary Commissioners to-day. The principal stay was made at Newry Town Hall, where the Commissioners received representative Unionist and Nationalist deputations, consisting of prominent local business men and farmers.

For the first time since their arrival, the Commissioners' movements excited some interest and a little speculation. It was market day in the town, and a fairly large crowd assembled to catch a glimpse of the three men who have come to Ireland to decide the vexed question of the Northern frontier. The Commissioners, however, entered the building almost unnoticed. Two Nationalist deputations—one of them from Newry and the other from Warrenpoint Council—awaited them. They were received immediately by the Commissioners, who decided that both should be heard together. Some members of the general public entered the room with the deputations. They were allowed to remain, but Press representatives, whose presence in the chamber was discovered only five or ten minutes after the proceedings opened, were requested to withdraw.

NEWRY NATIONALIST CASE.

The Most Rev. Dr. Mulhern, Roman Catholic Bishop of Dromore, and the Rev. J. Fitzpatrick, Administrator, Newry, accompanied the deputations, and stated briefly, for the Commissioners, the principal reasons which urged the Nationalists of Newry to seek inclusion in the Free State.

The Chairman of the deputation—Mr. O'Hagan, Chairman of Newry Urban Council—followed. He said that the interests of the Nationalist inhabitants of Newry would be very much affected by the verdict of the Tribunal. He went on to express the hope that just and fair conclusions "would be reached on the merits of the case. We have nothing to hide, he declared. Our claim is a straightforward one. We have a straight story to tell, and it will be given in all honesty."

Other members of the deputation who spoke were Mr. P. O'Neill, M.P.; Mr. P. Donnelly, ex-M.P., solicitor; and Mr. J. H. Collins, solicitor. Among the bodies which were represented on the Nationalist deputation was the local branch of the Legion of Irish Ex-Servicemen.

WARRENPOINT.

The Warrenpoint representatives urged the "undesirability of dividing Carlingford Lough for the purposes of making a boundary that no one wanted."

UNIONIST DEPUTATION.

As the Nationalist deputations filed out through the hall, the Unionist deputation entered by another door, and was received by the Commissioners. The deputation was an influential one, representing important local commercial and agricultural interests. The Chairman was Mr. W. Robinson, J.P., and with him were Messrs. W. Johnson, C.B.E., solicitor; F. D. Russell, J.P., President of Newry Chamber of Commerce, and of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Northern Ireland; H. Reside, J.P., Chairman of Newry No. 2 District Council; J. A. Bell, Chairman of Newry Board of Guardians; W. R. Bell, J.P., Clerk of the Union; G. McClorey, Vice-Chairman of Newry No. 2 District Council; J. Moore Boyle, J.P., solicitor; R. D. Kerr and J. Foster.

The deputation urged the various economic and sentimental reasons on which they based their resistance to any proposal to include Newry within the jurisdiction of the Free State.

This was the only other deputation received.

In the meanwhile a large crowd had assembled outside the building, and as he passed out, accompanied by the other two Commissioners, Mr. Justice Feetham smiled and raised his hat in acknowledgment of the curiosity which his appearance had excited.

AT FLAGSTAFF PEAK.

The Commissioners left Armagh at about 9.30 o'clock in the morning, and passed through Newry at about noon on their way to the Carlingford range of mountains. The immediate objective was "Flagstaff" Peak, which is about 800 feet above sea level. Having climbed to this altitude they were enabled to view the borders of three counties—Down, Armagh and Louth. The three county borders are separated at this point by Carlingford Lough. The magnificent panorama of country presented to the eye from the Peak evoked admiring comments from Mr. Feetham.

Leaving Newry in the afternoon, the Commissioners made a tour of what was formerly the old Nationalist constituency of South Down. Among other places, they visited Warrenpoint, and went then by way of Rostrevor and Kilkeel to the "Silent Valley" of the Mourne Mountains. Here they inspected the fine waterworks from which the City of Belfast draws its water supply. On the return journey, by Portadown and Newry, they visited Portadown Waterworks. This was the last stop on the journey.

Having covered well over 100 miles of country during the day, the Commissioners arrived in Armagh shortly after 7 p.m.

So far as can be ascertained, the Commissioners intend to remain in Armagh until Saturday next. It is suggested that they may go to Dublin for the week-end, and return on Monday to begin their tour of Tyrone and Fermanagh. On the position of these two counties more, perhaps, has been said than about any other single area in the six counties. For the past six months the principal towns in the Parliamentary constituency of Tyrone-Fermanagh have been the storm centres of bitter controversy about the powers and intentions of the Boundary Commission.

I am informed that the Commissioners' visit to Northern Ireland may be completed by the end of next week.

DINNER AT THE VATICAN.

MR. A. CHAMBERLAIN ON THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

ROME, Thursday.

Sir Odo Russell, the British Minister to the Vatican, gave a dinner this evening in honour of Cardinal Gasparri, the Vatican Secretary of State, and Mr. Austen Chamberlain. Among the guests were Cardinal Gasquet, Monsignor Pizzardo, Acting Secretary of State, and other high officials of the Papal Court.

Mr. Chamberlain, who leaves Rome tomorrow, attended yesterday's sitting of the League, and at the conclusion said that he would return to London with even greater respect for the League of Nations, having seen it at work.

"I have witnessed," he said, "goodwill and consideration displayed everywhere. This gives me increased confidence in the future of the League."—(Reuter.)

Three American Air Force officers and two mechanics were killed on Wednesday, when the HL 6, a seaplane, fell into the sea off San Diego, California, from a height of 2,200 feet.

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COMING ELECTIONS IN FREE STATE.

GOVERNMENT SUPPORTERS TO BE ORGANISED.

A VIGOROUS CAMPAIGN PROMISED.

Mr. J. J. Walsh, Chairman of the newly-appointed Council of Cumann na nGaedheal, addressing a largely attended meeting of representatives of the Dublin Cumann, at 5 Parnell square, Dublin, on Tuesday night, said that many people had taken it for granted that the defeat of the Government candidate at the last election was indicative of a dwindling of Government support. Almost every other critic has his own reason for the alleged decline, and various solutions were being put forward to remedy this state of affairs. He disagreed absolutely and entirely with the bulk of these criticisms.

Our failure, he said, was mainly, if not entirely, due to, firstly, the fact that the candidate was not well known; secondly, that there was little or no semblance of organisation, and, therefore, the bulk of the people knew nothing about the election; thirdly, that a great many people took it for granted that the Government would win, and that, therefore, there was no need for them to do their part; and fourthly and finally, the extensive abuse of the franchise by their opponents.

Within the next couple of months they were going to be faced with the filling of three vacancies in the city and half-a-dozen others in the country. Speaking to those present, he intended to confine himself to the immediate task before them, and that was to see that those who stood by the Government—and they were in the overwhelming majority in this city—took the necessary steps to record their votes. In outlining the programme of organisation which would secure the maximum results, he said that there was no shortage of willing hands, but they needed to be mobilised and directed in an intelligent and effective manner. The big meeting which he had the pleasure of addressing that night was indicative of the new life which was asserting itself, and he could assure those present that a very different story would unfold itself in this new reckoning.

FRIENDLY CRITICISM.

He had no objection to the Government being criticised by friendly observers. Criticism of the kind was often healthy, and even necessary in itself to keep the Government right. But people should remember that they are living in the back-wash of a long revolutionary period, which only herculean efforts can succeed in evolving a going concern from this period of disintegration and chaos. The Free State alone amongst European nations has refused to forego its allegiance to those originally chosen to work out its destiny, and nobody, even at this stage, dare deny that the Government was still not entitled to speak for the majority of the people.

There was no denying the fact that active forces, inside and outside the State, and even in co-operation, were striving to deprive the people of their hard-won liberty. These elements of destruction were free to make any promises they liked, knowing full well that they were not likely to be called upon to fulfil them—they simply built castles in the air. If the people were so ill-advised as to lend countenance to such a policy of national wreckage, then they had only themselves to blame if the fate of the Egyptians, or even worse, were the reward for their pains. Of course, if the nation wanted to commit suicide it could do so. The responsibility was its own. But it was their duty to see that the instrument being forged for the nation's destruction was not forged with a mere minority of the citizens. This, at any rate, they meant to see to there and now. The fate of the nation was too serious a matter to be handled by empty phrases. The liberty that they had got took many centuries of blood and effort to secure, and most certainly would never have been secured were it not for the fact that our generation held that great military leader Michael Collins, who alone among the military leaders in the sad history of the country was able to evade and defy the powerful forces opposed to him.

ABSOLUTE FREEDOM.

They were as free from external control as any country in God's earth, and very much more so than three-fourths of the so-called free ones. True, they were still lacking unity in the country, but the opponents of the Free State, if not largely responsible for that division, were at least involuntary instruments of its perpetuation. The Government now in charge of the country's affairs was a Government of hard-working and determined men, who were striving might and main to put the country on its feet. That it would do so, if given a fair chance, he had not the slightest doubt, and this surely was a matter of concern to the future of every man, woman and child in the island. The task was not an easy one, but with faith in themselves, as Arthur Griffith so often preached, there was little doubt that they would get there. (Applause.) He expected every friend of the Free State in this capital city to lend a hand during the coming elections. He assured them that with their active co-operation their opponents would play a very different tune when the fight was over.

Councillor MacIntyre, Chairman of the North Dublin Executive, who presided, guaranteed the whole-hearted co-operation of the entire membership. They were determined to undo the ill effects of the recent blow to national stability and progress.

Several others spoke in a like strain and certain steps were then taken towards organisation.

SMITHFIELD SHOW.

HIGH BEEF, MUTTON AND PORK PRICES.

The Royal Agricultural Hall, Islington, was again visited yesterday by thousands of interested people from all parts of the country, the majority of whom had come especially to London to view the magnificent exhibits of cattle, sheep and poultry at the Smithfield Club Show.

The birds particularly were an attraction, and it was noticed that, notwithstanding the high prices placed upon some of them—figures up to three guineas and even in a few cases up to £5 being demanded—there was a capital demand, poulterers and provision merchants generally being eager to obtain prize birds for their Christmas trade.

The champion gold medal presented by the Poulters Company for the best couple of fowls exhibited was taken by Mr. A. J. Falkenstein, of East Hannay, Wantage, with a couple of light Sussex cockerels, priced at £2 5s., the reserve place going to Mr. Thomas Sutton, of Colnbrook, with two Dorking cockerels, the reserve upon which was £2.

Mr. Falkenstein also secured the cup for the best exhibit in the pure-bred classes with his Sussex cockerels, Mr. Sutton being placed reserve.

In the section for geese the premier bird was adjudged to be an Emden gander belonging to Mrs. E. A. Durman, of Bampton, Durham, for which £4 was asked. Mrs. Durman also secured the Poulters Company's silver medal for a couple of mammoth bronze turkey cocks.

The prices reached in the auction sales of the carcases of cattle, sheep and pigs were available yesterday. The Aberdeen Angus carcase which secured the Butchers Company's 75 guinea challenge cup for the best carcase of beef scaled 90st. 7lbs., and realised £55 0s. 2d., or 11s. 8d. a stone, while the reserve carcase, also that of an Aberdeen Angus, belonging to the Duke of Portland, weighing 97st., went for £48 10s., or, roughly, 10s. a stone.

For mutton there was a steady trade, the reserve champion carcase, a Southdown, exhibited by Lady Fitzgerald, of Faringdon, which turned the scales at 3 qrs. 12lbs., making £10 13s. 9d., beating the price paid for the champion, a Southdown Ryeland cross ewe, which weighed 3 qrs. 22lbs., for which an offer of £8 12s. 6d. was accepted.

There was also a ready sale for pigs, the champion carcase, an Essex, belonging to Mr. A. J. Cousins, of Braintree, which weighed 1 cwt. 2 qrs. 19lbs., being sold for £9 17s. 4d.

The Rev. Anthony Collett, a Church of England clergyman, aged 60, well-known in Kent, died in his bath at his Canterbury home.

NEW BOLSHEVIST AIM.

WORLD REVOLUTION BEFORE MARCH.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

COPENHAGEN, Thursday.

Reports are current here from Paris that the Soviet Government at Moscow has circularised the Bolshevists throughout the world that they must work for a world revolution before March, 1925. Financial support from Russia would be withdrawn if the world revolution has not occurred before that date.

It is explained here that this order is the cause of the present Bolshevik activity all over the globe. To-day the Danish evening newspaper, *Ekstrabladet*, publishes a message from Moscow, that the Russian Government is greatly concerned over the Grand Duke Cyril's efforts to proclaim himself Emperor of Russia. The paper declares that Moscow has received information that Mr. Henry Ford, the American millionaire motor manufacturer, is deeply interested in supporting the Grand Duke, so that in the event of his becoming Emperor of Russia Ford would obtain trade concessions in Russia.

The Danish Minister of State, M. Stanning, is considering to-day what steps should be taken regarding Bolshevik propaganda in Denmark.

£80,000 FOR BALLSBRIDGE.

PROGRESS OF THE ALTERATIONS.

An expenditure of £80,000 will be made during the next two years in connection with the structural additions and alterations at Ballsbridge, according to a statement at the meeting of the Council of the Royal Dublin Society, at Ballsbridge.

Mr. Justice Wylie stated that contracts have already been let for the enlargement of the West Hall and the raising of its roof, and considerable progress had been made in this work. The Simmonscourt Hall is also to be enlarged, these undertakings to be completed not later than the 12th March next, to enable the Spring Show to be successfully carried through.

It is hoped to have the Lecture Hall and Library completed by the 1925 Horse Show, and good progress also shown in the buildings to be erected at the front to provide for the members and scientific requirements and the administrative departments of the society.

The resignation of Mr. T. J. Beaumont-Nesbitt, as Vice-President, was accepted with great regret, and it was resolved to place on record the Council's appreciation of the exceptional services he had rendered to the society over a lengthy period.

CORK CORPORATION AND HOUSING.

COMMISSIONER'S LETTER.

The following is a copy of a letter which the Cork City Commissioner (Mr. P. Monahan) has addressed to the Secretary of the Ministry of Local Government, in regard to malicious injury decrees held by the Cork Corporation for the destruction of the City Hall and Municipal Offices:—

"The Commissioner begs to report that he has had before him a tender for the building of the Cork Municipal Offices in accordance with plans and specification approved by the late Corporation. The lowest tender was £61,000. The amount available from the malicious injury decree for the reconstruction of the Municipal Offices and the City Hall is £58,500. The Commissioner has, therefore, decided not to proceed with the work at present.

"The Ministry of Finance is anxious that the money from the decree should be spent at once, but so long as it is insufficient to reinstate the original buildings it is not reasonable to press the Corporation on the matter. To meet this view the Corporation is willing, if allowed to do so, to spend the full amount of the decree in building houses for the working classes. It is not easy to justify the expenditure of £58,500 in luxury building, when no money is available for housing and when housing conditions are so deplorable.

"The temporary accommodation now available for the Corporation staff is satisfactory, and would be adequate for the next few years. The Corporation, on its part, is willing to undertake to borrow such moneys as may be necessary for the building of the Municipal Offices and the City Hall as soon as long-term loans at low interest are again available.

"Appended is an outline of the Commissioner's housing scheme, which can be put into force immediately consent is obtained to the diversion of the decree money. The Commissioner proposes to build 100 houses at £650 per house and to utilise the balance for the purposes of the Building Facilities Act, 1924, and thus enabling the Corporation to offer grants of £90 per house in addition to the free Government grant for 240 houses."

CUSTARD INGREDIENTS.

A POWDER WITHOUT MILK AND EGGS.

An important prosecution taken at the instance of the Durham County Council occupied the Durham city magistrates the whole of yesterday. It was a case taken under the Sale of Food and Drugs Act, and the ingredients of "custard" were the points at issue.

The defendants were Messrs. Moffatt, Lynch, and Francis Dolan, dealers, trading as the Lyndol Produce Company at Durham. They sold a tin of Foster Clark's "cream custard," which, it was alleged, upon analysis was found to consist of one hundred per cent. farina, tinted and flavoured, and not of the nature, substance and quality demanded by the purchaser.

After a hearing lasting nine hours the magistrates dismissed the case.

Mr. Harold King, Deputy Clerk of the Peace, gave quotations from dictionaries and cookery books to show that the chief ingredients of custard should be eggs and milk, and he claimed that such ingredients in powder form could have been added by the manufacturers had they so desired.

Experts were called in support of the argument that custard, and, in particular, cream custard, should contain eggs and milk.

Mr. J. A. Compston, K.C., for the defendants, contended that custard powder was regarded as custard, and that the purchaser did not expect it to contain eggs and milk. Experts and housewives from Birmingham, Brixton and Ipswich were called in support of counsel's contention.

Mr. Harry Charles Clark, a managing director of Foster Clark's, Ltd., the manufacturers, stated that the firm had made custard for thirty years. Fifteen years ago he came to the conclusion that custard powder could be made thicker and considerably improved, and as an outcome, Foster Clark's "cream custard" was manufactured. The firm were satisfied that everybody buying it knew perfectly well that they were buying "custard powder." Since a recent prosecution, they had printed on their tins the word "powder," and a statement that the powder did not contain eggs. That was done in the interests of the business, and to allay the fears of the customers, although the firm emphatically claimed that the omission of the word "powder" was of no importance.

IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS IN ENGLAND.

Mr. Dalton, in the House of Commons yesterday, asked the Home Secretary whether any Irish political prisoners were still imprisoned in England, and, if so, had any of them yet been brought to trial.

Sir W. Joynson-Hicks—There are some convicts who were sentenced to penal servitude in Ireland, and who, owing to the fact that there is no convict prison in Northern Ireland, are serving their sentences in England. I have no information in regard to their offences. As regards persons convicted in England, while I am not in a position to analyse a prisoner's motives, I know of no case which could reasonably be described as political. There are no such prisoners who are being detained without trial.

DUBLIN'S MILK SUPPLY.

PROPOSALS FOR REFORM.

BETTER QUALITY AND LOWER PRICES WANTED.

In a long letter, which discusses Dublin's milk supply from the standpoints alike of price and quality, a well-informed correspondent, of high scientific standing, writes:—

The question arises whether, as a sound business proposition, it is possible and practicable to supply Dublin householders with pure and wholesome milk at a reasonable price. Under the present system the enforcement of more stringent regulations would lead, no doubt, to an improvement in the quality and cleanliness of the milk supply; but this could be advanced as justifying an increased charge upon the consumer.

Nothing but a radical change in the whole system of production, treatment and distribution of the milk can possibly bring about the desired results. The milk must be produced, selected and cooled in the country; brought to the city in proper milk wagons; graded, pasteurised and chilled in a central dairy; despatched to local distributing dépôts by motor lorry, and delivered once a day to householders by servers who would have definite districts allotted to them, overlapping being thus eliminated. The surplus milk could be converted at the central dairy into cream, butter or cheese as might be most profitable. The separated milk and buttermilk could be sold at cheap rates for cooking and baking purposes.

CO-OPERATION PLAN.

A co-operative society or joint stock company should be formed, with a strong board of directors, on which would be represented, not only the consumers and producers, but also the dairymen. A large central dairy, with a railway siding, should be erected and equipped on the most up-to-date lines. Here the milk, on its arrival in the city, would be pasteurised by the "retarding" method, and thoroughly chilled—*i.e.*, heated to 143 degrees Fahrenheit for thirty minutes and cooled to 40 degrees Fahrenheit. This special treatment would destroy disease-producing and other harmful germs, without in any way affecting the wholesomeness, digestibility or taste of the milk.

At the commencement it would be necessary to work a scheme of this nature on a moderate scale, until the consumers and producers are thoroughly organised, but all plans should be made with a view to future developments. Dairymen who cast in their lot with the company might have their shops, equipment, horses, vans, etc., if suitable, taken over at a valuation, or they might be supplied with milk wholesale and allotted definite districts to serve. The consumers and producers could provide the money required for plant and working capital. Under such an arrangement those at present engaged in the trade would not be driven out of business. On the contrary, as most of them take an active part in the work, their lot would be greatly ameliorated; for, instead of having to milk cows at 4 or 5 o'clock in the morning, in all kinds of weather, and spending the greater part of the day delivering small portions of milk over wide areas, each man would call at the nearest dépôt about 7 o'clock in the morning and pick up the milk required for the first part of his round. By this arrangement the quantity of milk delivered by each roundsman would be more than doubled, and the cost of delivery alone reduced by over 50 per cent.

WOULD INCREASE CONSUMPTION.

The price of milk in the dairying districts is regulated by the price of butter and cheese; and under anything approaching normal conditions there should be no reason why, with a properly worked scheme, Dublin should not be provided with a supply of milk at from 1s. 4d. to 1s. 6d. *per* gallon during the summer months, and from 1s. 10d. to 2s. *per* gallon during the winter. That these prices would permit a sufficient margin for working expenses will be evident from the fact that there was no difficulty during the past summer in procuring milk delivered in Dublin at 10d. *per* gallon. It may be added that the prices ruling for the present winter vary from 1s. 4d. to 1s. 6d. delivered at Dublin.

An improvement in the quality and a reduction in the price of milk should lead to a large increase in its consumption. This would tend to reduce working expenses, and would be a great benefit to the community, more especially to the children, who, in many cases, are suffering from the lack of milk.

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Joint Diocesan Councils of Dublin, Glendalough and Kildare met yesterday. The Archbishop of Dublin presided, and the other members present were:—Canon Thompson, Archdeacon of Dublin, Canon Lewis-Crosby, the Rev. A. E. Hughes, the Dean of Christ Church, Canon Connell, Precentor Stewart, Canon Chamberlain, Canon Gibbon, the Rev. E. G. Sullivan, Mr. W. G. Wakely, Mr. J. A. Moconchy, Sir John W. Moore, Messrs. William Ireland, A. D. Price, Lord Glenavy, Mr. P. H. Grierson, the Earl of Belmore, Mr. G. W. Shannon, the Archdeacon of Glendalough, Canon Moore, Canon Weir, Canon Johnson, the Rev. J. S. Long, the Rev. C. H. Strong, the Rev. M. J. Palmer, Major C. R. D. Gun-Cuninghame, Messrs. W. J. Shepard, T. A. Tombe, His Honor J. H. Moore, Messrs. J. E. Gabbett, W. T. Kirkpatrick, A. W. Irwin, H. Sandys, G. P. Manning, the Dean of Kildare, Archdeacon of Kildare, Chancellor Clover, Precentor Craig, Canon Graham, Mr. G. Leycester Penrhyn, Col. C. Graham, Mr. A. A. Odlum, Lt.-Col. T. J. de Burgh, Major H. E. de C. Wheeler, and Mr T. V. Powell. The following resolution of condolence with the relatives of the late Mr. J. F. Fuller was passed:—"The Joint Councils of Dublin, Glendalough and Kildare have heard with regret of the death of Mr. J. F. Fuller, a distinguished architect, antiquary and author, who for many years, was an official of the Representative Body, acted as architect of this diocese, and desire that this expression of sympathy should be conveyed to members of his family." The quartely reports of the Joint Finance and Joint Glebes Committees were read and adopted. Stipends for the current quarter were passed to the amount of £10,419 17s. 4d., including increased rate of payment from July 1. Payments for the half-year to rural deans were passed at £115. Grants from superannuation sources were passed to the amount of £1,245 17s. 11d. Payment under Clause 14 of the Diocesan Financial Plan was passed at £48 15s. 0d. Having transacted the remaining business, the Councils adjourned until Thursday, March 12, 1925.

The United Diocesan Councils of Glendalough and Kildare met yesterday. The Archbishop of Dublin presided. The other members present were:—The Archdeacon of Glendalough, Canon Moore, Canon Weir, Canon Johnson, the Rev. J. S. Long, the Rev. S. H. Strong, the Rev. M. J. Palmer, Major Wellesley, Major C. R. D. Gun-Cuninghame, Messrs. W. J. Shepard, T. A. Tombe, His Honor J. H. Moore, Messrs. J. E. Gabbett, W. T. Kirkpatrick, A. W. Irwin, H. Sandys, G. P. Manning, the Dean of Kildare, Archdeacon of Kildare, Chancellor Clover, Precentor Craig, Canon Graham, Mr. G. Leycester Penrhyn, Colonel C. Graham, Mr. A. A. Odlum, Major H. E. de C. Wheeler and Mr. T. V. Powell.

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING PROTESTANT SCHOOLS.

The Archdeacon of Glendalough was re-elected Representative Governor of the Incorporated Society for Promoting Protestant Schools, and the following were re-elected as representative members:—The Archdeacon of Glendalough, the Dean of Kildare, Major E. H. C. Wellesley and Mr. G. Leycester Penrhyn. Mr. W. C. Metge was appointed a Parochial Nominator for the united Parishes of Arklow and Inch, under the provisions of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland, Chapter IV., Sec. 6. Having transacted the remaining business, the Councils adjourned until Thursday, March 12, 1925.

THE SECRETARIAL COURSE at SKERRY'S COMMERCIAL SCHOOL, 10 Harcourt st., Dublin, is the best possible preparation for a Business Career, and includes expert tuition in Shorthand, Typewriting, Book-keeping, Office Routine, etc. Prospectus free.—(Advt.)

NEWS IN BRIEF.

THE BEST SERVANT.—Lord Burnham, speaking in London at the Aldwych Club, said that he did not think there was a better servant to be found in the world than the young Zulu fresh from his kraal.

BAD SCHOOL REPORT SEQUEL.—When Yvonne Darre, a 15-year-old Bordeaux girl, returned home from school she was afraid to allow her parents to see her bad report, and shot herself in the head. She used a revolver belonging to her father, a police officer.

PEER'S VANISHED SILVER.—Lord Ossulston, the heir of the Earl of Tankerville, has missed a considerable amount of silver ware from his town house, Chesterfield Lodge, Chesterfield street, London. He had not occupied it until recently for some time. It is understood that a large portion of the missing articles have been traced to pawnshops.

GREATNESS IN POETRY.—Professor Lascelles Abercrombie, lecturing at Bangor, said that poetry, perhaps, became greatest of all when the poet summed up his view of life by taking himself as the outstanding character, and here Dante leapt into the mind. The Divine Comedy, in his opinion, formed the apex of the pyramid of great poetry.

CRICKETER'S ENGAGEMENT.—The engagement is announced of Mr. V. W. C. Jupp, the former England and Sussex cricketer, and Miss Jean McLellan, of Glasgow. Before the war he played for Sussex as a professional, and afterwards represented that county as an amateur. Two years ago Mr. Jupp went to Northamptonshire as secretary to the County Club.

BRIDEGROOM OF 92.—The marriage took place in St. Mary's Church, Bettws-y-Coed, yesterday, of Lieutenant-Colonel Samuel Henry Nairn Johnstone, formerly of the Lancashire Fusiliers, to Mrs. Emma Annette Challoner, widow of the late Mr. Challoner. The bridegroom, who was at the siege of Lucknow, has lived at Bettws-y-Coed for forty-five years. He is 92.

MR. HARDY SEES "TESS."—Mr. Thomas Hardy yesterday attended two performances at Weymouth of his play, "Tess of the Durbervilles," and was also present at a dinner given in his honour, and in honour of the Hardy Players, by the Mayor of Weymouth. At the dinner Mr. Hardy was accompanied by Mrs. Hardy. He responded to the toast of the Hardy Players in a speech lasting under a minute.

THE LEGAL BOOKMAKER.—The defence of a bookmaker's clerk, charged at Glasgow with obtaining the "dole" by pretending that he was unemployed, was that his work was illegal, and, therefore, did not come within the Unemployment Insurance Acts. The Sheriff remarked that bookmaking was not an illegal occupation, but simply one which the law did not recognise. A fine of 20s. was imposed.

THE "PARSONIC" VOICE.—"Clergymen who use the whining, 'miserable sinner' tone should be unfrocked and compelled for years to listen to professional elocutionists doing their worst with the recitation, 'We are Seven.'" Mr. St. John Irvine, the dramatist, and critic, made this remark at Glasgow musical festival. Some of the competitors, he said, had listened too attentively to ministers. The "parsonic voice" ought to be punishable by law.

THE COAL INDUSTRY.—The National Joint Wages Board for the coal mining industry met in London yesterday, but the owners' proposal for a joint committee to inquire into the present condition of the industry was not raised. Mr. Cook, the Miners' secretary, said that the question did not come within the scope of the National Board, but his Executive had offered to meet the coal-owners to hear what they had to say, without committing themselves to any definite line of inquiry.

A DEAN INGE STORY.—Speaking at the 101st anniversary of the foundation of Birkbeck College in London, Dean Inge said that there was no excuse for not recognising that English literature was as great as the Greek, and perhaps greater than any other. But, somehow, English had always been rather a Cinderella. Alluding to that "detestable jargon," commercial English, he told a story of the Foreign Office during the war. Difficulty was found in finding clerks, and two young men were introduced from a commercial house. A certain foreign Ambassador was amazed to receive a letter which read: "Yours to hand, our Lord Curzon will attend to you."

A PRINCE'S ILL-LUCK.—The ill-luck attending the business ventures in London of Prince Andrew Alexandrovitch of Russia was mentioned at the London Bankruptcy Court. Liabilities were returned at £14,078 and assets at nil. In August of last year he incurred £6,000 in liabilities in connection with the Regent's Park Country Club. He became managing director to the club at £1,200 per annum, plus an entertainment allowance of £500 per annum, but actually advanced to the company more money than he drew. The Prince also was associated with a motor car agency in Grafton street, London, W., and later acted for a time as a director of a shirt-making company.

Sir Gilbert Greenall has been elected President of the Royal Agricultural Society for the second time.

A critical exposition of the Geneva Protocol, written by Sir Frederick Pollock, K.C., will be published by the League of Nations Union this week.

Miss T. Bradley, of Crewe, has been appointed woman supervisor of the junior departments of the Newcastle Education Committee at a salary of £500 per annum.

Dame Caroline Bridgeman will at the end of the year relinquish the post of Chairman of the Women's Unionist Organisation, and will be succeeded by Viscountess Elveden.

Lady Lucy has obtained permission from the Hythe Council to plant an avenue of cypresses in the cricket ground in remembrance of her husband, Sir Henry Lucy—"Toby, M.P."

Lieutenant-General Sir John Shea, while taking riding exercise on Tuesday, met with an accident. His horse shied owing to the sudden appearance of a stray dog, and Sir John was thrown, breaking his nose. He is progressing satisfactorily.

Spalding Urban Council has adopted a £25,000 scheme for a swing-bridge over the River Welland near the site of the proposed beet-sugar factory, and for a new road from the bridge to the main Spalding-Boston road. The building of the factory will be started early next year.

Cardinal Bégin, Archbishop of Quebec, has addressed a communication to the Cardinals of France, in which he deplores the proposal of the French Government to withdraw the Embassy to the Vatican, and assures the faithful in France of the support of Roman Catholics in Canada.

The disappearance is reported from the Sycotta Tea Garden, Assam, of Mr. A. G. Thompson, an assistant on the estate, who had won the Military Cross. On November 24, after leaving the manager's office, Mr. Thompson mounted his bicycle and rode off. He has not been heard of since.

ILLINOIS POISONING CASE.

AN ALLEGED CONFESSION.

MOUNT VERNON, ILLINOIS, Thursday.

The Court which is trying the Rev. Lawrence Hight and Mrs. Sweetin, one of his parishioners, for the murder of their consorts by poisoning in September last, to-day ruled that the confession which Mr. Hight is alleged to have made to a committee of Methodist ministers who called on him after his arrest, was made freely and voluntarily. The Court declared the document would be admitted as evidence against the clergyman, but not against Mrs. Sweetin.

In the confession Mr. Hight is alleged to have declared that, swayed by an overwhelming passion towards Mrs. Sweetin, he poisoned his wife.

The special jury yesterday was excluded from the Court while evidence was given about the confession. When Mr. Hight was permitted to enter the witness stand to repudiate the confession he seemed to have lost his former assurance.

The Reverend Mr. Horsely was the first witness for the prosecution. He stated that when Hight saw the committee of Methodist ministers at the prison he exclaimed, "Boys, I'm guilty. I first met Mrs. Sweetin at church. As she came down the aisle a power came over me that I could not resist. I wrestled all night with the Lord. I know He has forgiven me, and I hope the Church will also. I am ready now for the Courts."

The next witness was the Reverend Mr. Allen, who declared that Hight admitted he had poisoned his wife, that he had also purchased the poison and handed it to Mrs. Sweetin, and that together they had administered it to Mrs. Sweetin.

A druggist's assistant spoke of having sold arsenic to Hight, who explained that he wanted it to kill rats. The witness offered Hight a tube of rat poison, which he refused, insisting that he wanted arsenic. The witness let him have some, first making him sign the poison register.

GERMANY'S LATEST CRISIS.

JUNKERS' BID FOR POWER.

CLAIMING BIGGEST PRIZES IN NEW CABINET.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Thursday.

Germany's sixteenth post-war Government crisis is now in full swing, differing from its numerous predecessors, however, in that it has been directly provoked by the Junkers and their friends eager for the spoils of office and power.

It looks, indeed, as if Germany's Christmas gift to a startled world will take the form of an "old gang" Cabinet.

These are, indeed, happy, cheerful days for Germany's "old gang." Herr Hergt, the Nationalist leader—mentioned as a likely Foreign Minister—and Grand Admiral von Tirpitz now see themselves once again entering their kingdom.

The successive Republican Governments—so runs the thread of their thought—after clearing up the mess of the war, after bearing the odium of the Peace Treaty, settling the Reparations question, and furnishing Germany with Europe's best currency, can now disappear into the servants' hall, making way at the high table for the country's natural rulers.

In the new Cabinet, which will, doubtless, be formed next week, the Junkers are already claiming the posts of Chancellor and the Foreign, Finance, Food and Defence Ministries, claims which have rather alarmed their companions in the intrigue—the German People's parties—to defy the wishes of the electors, who gave a vote of confidence in the Republic.

Of course, an eleventh-hour effort on the part of the Republican parties—Socialists, Democrats, Catholic, Centre—may frustrate the plot to impose a reactionary Government on Germany; but they will have to shake off their habitual timidity to prove a match in the big struggle for power which is now opening with the Junkers, the notorious browbeaters in German politics.

OBITUARY.

THE REV. THOMAS HANLEY.

The Rev. Thomas F. Hanley, C.C., died yesterday morning at Castlerea. His health for some time had been unsatisfactory, and the end was not unexpected. The news of Father Hanley's death has caused much regret, not only in Castlerea, but throughout the Diocese of Elphin. He will be missed especially by the poor, to whom he was a sincere and generous friend.

MR. RAYMOND GILLMAN.

The death has taken place of Mr. Raymond O'D. Gillman at Clonakilty, Co. Cork. Mr. Gillman was the goalkeeper of the Irish International hockey team in recent years, and put up many notable performances.

A PENNY POST.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S STATEMENT.

The reply of the Postmaster-General, Sir William Mitchell-Thomson, to a deputation which saw him on Wednesday on the subject of a reversion to penny postage, was made available last night.

Sir William, receiving a unanimous cry of "Yes" at the outset to his question, whether the deputation thought that of all postal reforms the reversion to the penny post was the most vital and urgent, dealt with the probable cost, saying that the estimated figures for the first full year planned out at about £5,600,000. If that were anywhere near right, he thought that those who wanted an immediate reversion must see that a change involving financial operations of such magnitude presented considerable difficulties. Such a change in somebody else's Budget in the last three months of its life no Chancellor of the Exchequer could reasonably be expected to make.

All that he could say was that the penny postage would undoubtedly be reviewed by the Chancellor when he was able to survey the whole field of national finance. He would do his best to ensure that that review took place, and would certainly promise that the very weighty considerations and arguments that the deputation had offered would be presented to the Chancellor with all the emphasis that he could command, and which they most assuredly deserved.

MESSRS. HYAM'S NEW PREMISES.

OPENING TO-MORROW.

After a successful trade, extending over ninety years, in Dame street, Dublin, Messrs. B. Hyam will open their newly-built, extensive premises in Westmoreland street to-morrow. The buildings are a handsome addition to a street of fine shops and offices. They have been furnished throughout in oak, and contain every modern equipment for the best display of the firm's goods and the comfort and convenience of customers.

The parcels office and strong room are in the basement. Hosiery, shirts and hats are shown on the ground floor, and men's and boys' ready-made clothing on the first floor, where every garment is to be seen on a separate hanger. The second floor is given over to the tailoring department, which includes fitting rooms and a large stock room, and on the third floor are the workshops and special fitting apartments. Particular attention has been paid to the comfort of the workers here, as elsewhere, and there is a fire escape on the Fleet street side. All the machinery in the building is electrically driven, and there is a lift from the basement to the top floor.

THE GIFT CARRIERS.

Writing in the current issue of the *L.M.S. Magazine*, the Right Hon. H. G. Burgess, P.C., General Manager of the London, Midland and Scottish Railway, sends out a very practical Christmas message to the 275,000 members of his staff. He writes:—

"It is no exaggeration to say that the majority of packages passing by road or rail between now and December 25 will ultimately be Christmas gifts or Christmas 'fare' to brighten some home somewhere. Every member of the staff concerned with the transport of this merchandise has it in his power, therefore, to contribute some measure, either of happiness or of disappointment, by the way in which he does the work entrusted to him. If this is realised, I am sure every man will do his best, and, feeling that he has tried to contribute to the happiness of others, will himself enjoy what I sincerely wish each and every member of the L.M.S.—'A Happy Christmas!'"

IRISH PILGRIMS FILMED.

On Sunday next the official film of the Irish National Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be shown at the La Scala Theatre, Dublin, at four o'clock. The Very Rev. Father O'Nolan, P.P., V.F., Chairman of the Executive of the Lourdes National Pilgrimage, will give a short lecture. The film shows the embarkation at the North Wall, the blessing of the Irish cross, and crown, and other very impressive scenes which were witnessed during the pilgrimage. The Civic Guard Band will perform a programme of appropriate music, and the orchestra will play Gounod's "Ave Maria."

On Wednesday evening the film was exhibited at Maynooth College in the presence of the President, the faculty and students, and was highly appreciated.

AUSTRALIAN WOOL SALES.

SYDNEY, Thursday.

At the wool sales held here to-day, 9,378 bales were offered, of which 5,611 were sold. Private sales amounted to 2,500 bales. The average selection was good, yielding bright and attractive wools. Best skirtings were firm at late rates under good general competition. Fleecy wools and low skirtings were from par to 5 per cent. lower, in sympathy with the London and other Australian markets. Bradford competition was active. Scoured fleeces fetched 65d. and bellies 59½d., these constituting records.

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED STEADY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, December 11.

Stocks opened irregular. Strength was shown by some Railroads, Motor Shares, Public Utility Stocks and Motor Accessories, but all declined 1 to 5 points, owing to apprehension over the money outlook, large gold shipments, and on rumours that the Federal Reserve Bank will advance the rediscount rate. There was a sharp rally in the afternoon, when some Public Utility Stocks jumped 5 to 10 points, causing covering operations. The market closed steady. Government Bonds steady. Railroad Bonds easy. The day's sales totalled 1,850,000 shares. Money on call closed easy at 3¼ p.c. bid and 3½ p.c. asked. All business was transacted at 3½ p.c. Prime mercantile paper was quoted at from 3½ p.c. to 3¾ p.c. Sterling exchange fluctuating. Silver ⅛c. higher for foreign mined at 69⅛. Gold to the value of 1,000,000 dollars has been engaged for export to London, and a further 2,650,000 dollars in gold has been engaged for shipment to India.

Rises—Baltimore and Ohio Common, ⅞; Chesapeake and Ohio Common and New York Consolidated Gas, 1⅛; Erie Railroad Shares, 1; Erie First Preferred, 1½; Lehigh Valley Shares, 1½; Wabash Preferred, ⅜, and International Mercantile Marine Preferred, ⅛.

Falls—Canadian Pacific, ⅜; Louisville and Nashville, ⅞; Ontario and Western Pan-American Petroleum Ord., ½; Utah Copper, 1⅜, and National Lead, 1.

Atchison Topeka New 4 p.c. Mortgage Bonds declined ⅜.

Call Money	...	4b. 4¼a.	3½b. 3¾a.
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	...	4.66¼	4.66⅞
Do. do. Demand Bills	...	4.69⅛	4.69⅛
Cable Transfers	...	4.69⅞	4.69⅞
Do. Montreal	...	4.71⅛	4.71⅛
Exchange Paris, cable	...	5.18½	5.31

Eng. Parity	Stocks	Closing Bid Prices Wed.	Business Done Thur.
108⅞	U.S. Funded	102¼	102¼
123¾	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	113½	115⅜
100⅛	Do. Preference	94½	94
81	Baltimore and Ohio	75½	76¾
158⅛	Canadian Pacific	150	149¾
100⅛	Chesapeake Ohio Com.	93½	94⅞
17⅛	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	16¼	16
76¾	Chicago and N.-West	72	71⅞
33½	Erie Shares	30½	31⅛
47⅞	Erie 1st Preferred	43⅛	45
75	Great Northern Pref.	70¾	70½
120⅞	Illinois Central	113⅜	113½
78⅛	Lehigh Valley	72	73½
109⅛	Louisville & Nashville	104	103½
31⅛	Missouri, Kan., & Texas	29¼	29⅞
33	Missouri Pacific New	31⅜	31
5⅛	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	5⅛	5
2¼	Do. 2nd Pref.	2⅛	2¾
123⅛	N.Y. Ctl. & Hudson R.	116⅜	116
130⅛	Norfolk and West Com.	122¾	122½
73½	Northern Pacific Com.	68⅝	69
26⅛	Ontario and Western	25¼	24¼
51⅛	Pennsylvania Shares	48⅜	48¾
72⅛	Reading Shares	68	68
38⅛	Do. Preferred	36	36
81½	Southern Railway	76¼	78⅜
106⅛	Southern Pacific	101⅞	101¼
47⅛	Texas and Pacific	44⅛	44½
155⅛	Union Pacific	146⅛	146⅜
78⅜	Do. Pref.	74	74
22⅞	Wabash Common	21⅛	21⅛
60⅛	Do. Preferred A.	56	56⅜
91⅛	American Smelt. and Refining	86¼	86½
43⅝	Anaconda Copper	41⅛	41½
27⅛	British-American Tobacco Ord.	25¼	25⅛
88⅜	Utah Copper	85	83¼
81⅜	New York Consolidated Gas	76¾	77⅞
290⅛	General Electric	273	273¾
167⅛	National Lead	158¼	157¾
123⅛	United States Steel Common	116⅜	116¼
128⅜	Do. Pref.	121	121
51⅛	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	48⅛	48
—	Silver Commercial Bars	69	69⅛
64¼	General Motors (New)	60¼	60⅜
14⅛	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	13⅛	13⅛
46⅛	Do. Pref. Certs.	43⅜	44
50⅜	Royal Dutch Ordinary	47⅛	47⅜
41⅛	Shell Ordinary	38⅛	38⅞
59½	Pan-American Petroleum Ord.	56⅛	58
18¾	Anglo-American Oil	17⅛	17⅜
21⅛	Shell Union Oil Corp.	20⅛†	20⅜
40⅛	U.S. Rubber	38¼	38¾
	BONDS.		
94⅛	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort.	89¼	88½
65½	Erie Rail. Gen. 4% Lien Bonds	62⅜	62½
101⅜	Reading 4 p.c. Mortgage Bonds	95½	95¼
97⅛	Union Pacific 4 p.c. Bonds	—	91⅝
111⅜	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bds.	104⅛	104⅜
122¾	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	115¾	115⅜
111½	Do. do. 1937	105	104⅛

*Asked. †Ex div. ‡Ex interest. §Ex rights.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Eng. Equiv.	Stocks and Shares	Closing Prices Thur.	—
64⅛	Abitibi Power & Paper Co., Ltd.	60½	—
40⅛	Asbestos Corp. of Canada, Ltd.	38	—
76⅛	Do. Preferred	72½	—
56⅛	Brazilian T.L. & P. Co., Ltd.	53⅛	—
3⅛	Brit. Empire Steel Corp., Ltd.	2⅛	—
30⅛	Do. 1st Preference, Series B.	29	—
9	Do. 2nd Preference	8½	—
32⅛	Brompton Pulp & Paper Co., Ltd.	30⅛	—
94⅛	Canada Cement Co., Ltd.	90	—
113⅛	Canadian Cottons Co., Ltd.	107	—
11⅛	Canada Steamships Lines, Ltd.	11	—
50⅛	Do. Preferred	47½	—
47⅛	Con. Mining & Smelt. Co. of Canada, Ltd.	44¾	—
69⅛	Dominion Textile Co., Ltd.	66	—
87⅛	Laurentide Co., Ltd.	82½	—
153	Montreal L. H. & P. Consd.	146¼	—
64½	National Breweries, Ltd.	61	—
38⅛	Price Bros. and Co., Ltd.	36	—
139⅛	Shawinigan Water & Power Co.	136¼	—
107⅛	Spanish R. P'p & P'r Mills, Ltd.	101½	—
119⅛	Do. Preferred	112½	—
86⅛	Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd.	82	—

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT easy, ¼c. to 1¼c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	176	176½
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	179¾	181
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	174¾	176
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot	187	188½

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Atlan.	752	647	166,004	141,255
Clearances	324	337	178,774	126,871

(In thousands of bushels.)

Sales for export—100 boatloads.

RYE—No. 2 spot, 145¼.

BARLEY—American malting, 99.

MAIZE easy, ½c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Western No. 2 mixed, spot	140	140½

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts—Atlan.	32	80	4,919	8,204
Clearances	—	—	1,411	1,509

(In thousands of bushels.)

LARD easy, 17½ to 15 points down. Prime Western steam, 16.90; Middle West, 16.65 to 16.75.

FLOUR steady. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 7.25 to 7.75.

FREIGHTS.

Heavy grain to Great Britain, per quarter—2/- to 3/-.

Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lbs.—10c. to 14c.

Cotton—High density to Great Britain, per 100lbs.—35c.

Cotton—Standard bales to Great Britain, per 100lbs.—50c.

RUBBER quiet. First latex crepe, 37½ buyers, 37¾ sellers; smoked ribbed sheets, 37½ buyers, 37¾ sellers.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Mid-Continent Crude	1.10	1.10
Standard White in cases	16.90	16.90
Standard White in barrels	13.50	13.50
Do. Philadelphia	13.50	13.50
Pennsylvania crude	2.75 2.85	2.75 2.85

COFFEE opened easy, 25 to 17 points lower on easy Brazilian advices, and values were further depressed by liquidation and selling by importers and trade interests. Later there were partial reactions due to shorts covering, and the market closed steady, although 15 to 30 points down on the day. Spot steady. Rio No. 7, 21¼; Santos No. 4 spot, 26¼. Approximate day's sales—40,000 bags.

Futures—Options—	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	19.23	19.00	18.19	17.45
Prev. day	19.45	19.20	18.38	17.65
	June.	July.	Sept.	
To-day	17.20	16.92	16.20	
Prev. day	17.35	17.10	16.50	

SUGAR—Futures steady, 8 points up to unchanged. Centrifugal Cuban spot easy; 96 test centrifugal Cuban, 5.40 asked. Approximate day's sales—25,000 tons.

Options—	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May.	July.
To-day	3.89	3.16	2.91	2.99	3.09
Prev. day	3.81	3.16	2.91	2.99	3.09

TALLOW steady. Extra loose, 10½.

COTTONSEED OIL easy. Prime summer yellow spot, 11.00. Options—January, 11.18; March, 11.50; May, 11.59; July, 11.72.

SHELLAC—T.N. spot, 64¼.

TURPENTINE—Spirits of turpentine, 84. Savannah spirits of turpentine, 77¼.

RESIN—Grade F, 6.45; Grade K, 6.50; Grade WW, 8.50.

BURLAPS easy. Hessian cloth, light-weight, 8.15; heavy-weight, 10.00.

METALS.—Tin barely steady, 12½ points lower. Spot, 54.87½; future option, 54.87½. Tin Plates, 5.50. Lead firm, 25 points higher, 9.11¼. Zinc steady, 7½ points up. East St. Louis spot, 7.17½. Iron steady. No. 2 American Northern Foundry, 22.00 to 22.50. Electrolytic Copper steady. Spot, 14¼; futures, 14½ to 14¾. Steel—Bessemer rails, 43.

OUTSIDE U.S. MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY.—Wheat easy, 1c. cheaper. No. 2 hard winter spot, 161.

ST. LOUIS.—Wheat weak, 3c. lower. No. 2 red winter spot, 117½.

MINNEAPOLIS.—Wheat easy, 2c. down. No. 1 Northern spring spot, 160¼.

DULUTH.—Flaxseed, May, 279.

TOLEDO.—Cloverseed, March, 19.35.

WINNIPEG.—Wheat opened steady, ½c. up, but closed easy, 1¼c. cheaper. Opening options—May, 171; July, 169½. Closing options—May, 169½; July, 167½. Oats barely steady, ⅛c. cheaper. Closing option—December, 60½. Flaxseed—May, 253.

Wheat receipts (carlots)	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	95	67
No. 2 Northern	126	71
No. 3 Northern	69	91
No. 4 Northern	135	129
Other grades	194	151
Total	639	509

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened steady, 2 points down to 5 points up. Prices improved in the early dealings on buying by the trade, foreign interests and spot houses and encouraging cable news; then a reaction set in owing to the unsatisfactory textile trade conditions, the discouraging Wall street situation and selling by Wall street and New Orleans houses.

The market recovered subsequently on heavier exports, better Southern spot markets and covering of shorts, and closed steady at 3 to 23 points gain. Spot quiet and unchanged. New Orleans spot 5 points dearer.

Spot, middling upland at New York, 23.25.

Spot, middling upland at New Orleans, 23.15.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 17,000 bales; Gulf ports, 32,000; Pacific ports, 4,000; interior towns, 25,000. Exports—Great Britain, 25,000; Continent, 17,000; Japan, 4,000.

New York futures in last twenty seconds of trading:—December, lowest 22.75, highest 22.80; January, 22.85, 22.88; February, 23.04, 23.04; March, 23.23, 23.25, April, 23.41, 23.41; May, 23.60, 23.62; June, 23.68, 23.68; July, 23.76, 23.76; August, 23.46, 23.46; September, 23.35, 23.35, October, 23.09, 23.09; November, unquoted.

New Orleans futures in last minute of trading:—March, lowest 23.16, highest 23.19; May, 23.43, 23.45.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Thursday.

WHEAT opened easy at ½c. reduction, and continued to decline owing to easier Liverpool cables, large stocks, unloading by bulls, better crop-moving weather and small seaboard clearances, and the downward movement was assisted by commission house selling, a disappointing outside demand, weakness of the Stock market and a bearish estimate of Argentine shipments. The closing was easy and 1⅛c. down. Spot easier.

	To-day	Prev. day
No. 2 Hard Winter spot	163	163⅝
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	—	163

	Dec.	May.	July
Futures—Opening options—			
To-day	161⅞	166	
Prev. day	163	167	
Futures—Closing options—			
To-day	160	164⅞	144⅞
Prev. day	161⅝	166⅜	146⅜

	To-day.	Same day last year	This season	Last season
Receipts (W.)	1,027	937	382,052	233,680

(In thousands of bushels.)

MAIZE opened easy, ½c. to ⅝c. lower, and prices were depressed throughout the session owing to more favourable weather for the crop movement, favourable Argentine reports, liquidation, larger country offerings, a slack cash demand, poor outside inquiry, lower cash markets and a bearish estimate of Argentine shipments. The market closed easy at 2⅛c. to 1⅛c. reduction.

	To-day	Prev. day
Spot No. 2 mixed	124⅞	126

	Dec.	May	July
Futures—Opening options—			
To-day	123⅞	128⅞	
Prev. day	125⅞	129⅞	
Futures—Closing options—			
To-day	122¼	127½	127⅛
Prev. day	124⅞	128⅞	129

	To-day	Same day last year	This season	Last season
Receipts (W.)	662	1,304	104,962	108,556

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS easy, ⅛c. lower.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	57⅞	62⅞	61⅛
Prev. day	58⅛	63⅛	62⅛

RYE—No. 2 spot unquoted.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May
To-day	133⅞	138⅞
Prev. day	136⅞	140⅛

PROVISIONS opened steady, and prices improved early owing to light stocks and local buying. A reaction set in, however, in sympathy with the grain markets, also on packers selling moderately, heavy hog arrivals in the West and reactionary selling. The closing was easy, with lard 15 to 20 points and ribs 12½ points up.

Lard—Closing options	Jan.	Mar.	May.
To-day	16.05	16.25	16.30
Prev. day	16.25	16.40	16.50
Ribs—Closing options—	Jan.		May.
To-day	14.32½	—	14.70
Prev. day	14.45	—	14.82½

BACON barely steady at 12½ points decline.

Short ribbed sides (60lbs. average)—14.50.

HOGS steady, with light descriptions unchanged to 10 points dearer and heavy unaltered. Light hogs, 7.50 to 9.40; heavy hogs, 9.60 to 9.90.

	To-day	Same day last year
Receipts—Western Cities	236,000	150,000
Chicago	72,000	47,000

Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since the 1st November total 3,566,000, against 5,730,000 same season last year.

LION HUNT FOR THE PRINCE.

SOUTH AFRICA'S PLANS.

ZULUS TO WELCOME GREAT WHITE CHIEF.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

CAPE TOWN, Thursday.

Great preparations are already being made in South Africa for the forthcoming visit of the Prince of Wales. Among the numerous events that are being arranged in his honour is a big game shoot in the Rhodesian lion area. Already detailed arrangements are in hand for big State balls and tremendous native demonstrations, the Zulus being particularly anxious to welcome the "Great White Chief."

Meanwhile the newspaper, *The Burgher*, a Government organ, remarks to-day on the fact that the Prince of Wales's visit taking place during the Hertzog, instead of the Smuts *régime*, is a bitter disappointment to many persons, who were looking forward to the distribution of titles.

The paper urges that South Africa should follow the example of Canada, and that Parliament before the arrival of the Prince should pass a resolution asking that His Majesty the King should not confer any more titles upon South African citizens.

The Prince of Wales's plans for visiting the Argentine are not yet framed, but he expects to leave South Africa about the middle of July, and to go direct to the Argentine. He should arrive at the end of July or the beginning of August. Present indications point to a stay of about a fortnight in the republic.

"AONACH NA NODLAG."

THE CASE FOR IRISH INDUSTRIES.

Aonach na Nodlag (The Christmas Fair), which since the war had become almost extinct, has been revived by the Dublin Industrial Development Association, and brought up to something like the 1913 standard. The premises at 40 Upper Sackville street, Dublin, have been fitted with stalls showing the wares and manufactures of some thirty firms.

Sir John Irwin, President of the Dublin Industrial Development Association, yesterday performed the opening ceremony in the presence of a large attendance. He said that the Council of the Association, in taking over the Aonach, was actuated by the desire of preventing such a worthy movement from falling into abeyance. On the suggestion of Miss Somers, the energetic Secretary of the Dublin Industrial Association, the Council of the Association had decided to take up the matter, and as a result they had as creditable a display of Irish manufacture as they could see anywhere. There were thirty odd exhibitors in that particular part of the building, over and above those exhibits which were permanent.

The Association felt that the present economic condition of affairs in this country demanded a redoubling of efforts to relieve unemployment by encouraging people to buy articles of Irish manufacture, so long as they could be obtained at reasonable prices. Across the Channel they found a movement on foot in favour of British manufactures, and surely they in Ireland could not be blamed for raising the standard of Irish manufactures. It was only by putting forward their best energies that any progress could be made. Production would have to be speeded up and the employing classes would have to exert themselves a little more than they had done in the past.

They had a home market, which was, undoubtedly, their best one; and if, instead of importing to the extent of £14,000,000 or £15,000,000 a year, they could reduce that adverse balance, they would be doing a good day's work for the country. There was no citizen who could not do his part in that. He was glad to see that they had exhibitors from Northern Ireland, and he hoped that their exhibits would receive every support on that occasion.

The Fair will be continued daily until the 20th inst.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The death-rate in the principal towns of the Free State for the week ended November 29 last was:—Dublin, 15.0 per 1,000; Cork, 15.6; Limerick, 16.2; Waterford, 7.6. The total number of births registered during the week in the Dublin area was 208 and the deaths 135. The deaths included 29 children under five years of age, 12 from tuberculous disease, 11 from cancer, and one from "sleepy" sickness. During the same week the mortality in 105 large English towns was equal to an annual death-rate of 11.8 per 1,000, and the rate for 16 principal towns in Scotland was 16.6, with Edinburgh 18.6.

Group taken at the Christmas Sale at the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, for Irish Distressed Ladies' Fund.
First Row:—Lady Talbot de Malahide, Mrs. Geisford St. Lawrence, Lady HolmPatrick, Lady Lambert, Lady Powerscourt, Lady Desart.
Second Row:—Mrs. Laidlaw, Mrs. Bellingham, Mrs. Smith Bingham, the Hon. Mrs. Hubert Preston, Mrs. Alexander, Lady Dunsany, and Mrs. Morrogh Ryan.

The Line-out in the Oxford University v. Wanderers Match at Lansdowne road, Dublin, yesterday. The visitors won by 30 points to 17.

Degree Day at Trinity College, Dublin, yesterday. Group of the Students who received their M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O. Degrees.
R. E. Steen, P. D. Pisi, G. D. Rankin, C. Wilson, J. N. Atkinson, Miss D. I. Henry.
R. H. McKeag, R. F. J. Henry, R. Warnock, J. R. Bradshaw, M. J. Bradlaw, S. E. Magowan, R. G. F. Thompson.
T. W. May, W. H. Maguire, S. McDermott, W. A. Dickson, A. J. Head, L. P. Sayers, A. J. Mooney, Miss D. J. Booth.

The Oxford University and the Wanderers XV.'s.

The Tablet presented to Trinity College, Dublin, by Past and Present Students from South Africa in honour of Mr. Gerard A. Exham, M.A.

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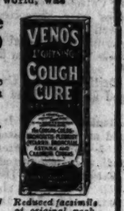

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LETTER FROM ARCHBISHOP GILMARTIN

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Since my name has, I learn, been mentioned as a member of the Irish Advisory Committee of the Carnegie Trust (for Libraries), permit me to say that some months ago I resigned my connection with that body.

In view of some recent developments, I am now glad I did so. Those Catholics who remain connected in any way with the Committee ought to watch very carefully the class of books that are being circulated through its libraries.—Yours, etc.,

✠ T. P. GILMARTIN,
Archbishop of Tuam.

St. Jarlath's, Tuam,
December 11th, 1924.

LAND AND EMPLOYMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your correspondent "M. R. S." writing under the above heading, has hit the nail on the head. I am one of probably half a million farmers, holding 200 acres (Irish), who have bought my farm under the Wyndham Act. I am most particular as to the state of my fields, fences, etc., but, owing to extra tillage during the war, I was unable to attend to my grass land as much as was required, with the result that it has somewhat deteriorated. Now I have reduced my tillage and could, with a few extra men, get my farm into proper condition again; but owing to the recent Land Act (1923), which has taken from me the security for which I paid under the Wyndham 1903 Act, I am not going to spend one cent more than I can help, be the result what it may.

I think that all wage-paying farmers like myself see it in the same light, and that probably means one labourer in every case unemployed. As a matter of fact, I have reduced mine from nine to sever.—Yours, etc.,

"P. F. G."

Co. Limerick, December 10th, 1924.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Public opinion urges, and the Government is proceeding with, the division of the grazing ranches into small farms and planting of new men in new homesteads upon them. It is an urgent national enterprise for the purpose of providing means of livelihood for some of the capable young men of the country and of preventing impoverishment and depopulation. But the consolidation of holdings is taking place as fast as the division. Most of the farms that are sold by auction are bought by men who have land or another means of living already, and who retain both. There is thus a home and a means of livelihood less in the country, an opening for a new man shut off, and a curtailment of employment for the labourers and tradesmen, for whom every separate farm makes at least a casual demand.

The improving farmer, or other person who buys up the farms, deserves credit for his thrift and his enterprise, nor should he be prevented from extending his property or means of living; but if it were made obligatory on him to sell his present holding when he buys another farm, the number of separate, self-supporting farms and homes would be maintained, and opportunity left for men of smaller means to get a home and a living. This could be easily effected by the Land Commission's being empowered to refuse a buyer as owner of any holding subject to annuity, except on these terms. This precaution should be taken at once with regard to the new farms that are being made from the grazing ranches, or within a few years a number of them will be again bought up and made into one big, green farm, and much of the public money spent on the division will have gone in vain.—Yours, etc.,

"BRIGHID."

Co. Louth, December 11th, 1924.

AMALGAMATION AND COMPENSATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—At an executive committee meeting of this Association which was held here to-day the recently published reports of two of the leading Irish railway companies for the half-year to 30th June, 1924, were under consideration. It was noted that, while stockholders will be asked at the forthcoming meetings to consent to the payment of compensation to directors who suffer loss by abolition of office, no mention is made either of the amount of the proposed compensation or of the basis on which it has been calculated. In these circumstances we were instructed to suggest to all interested stockholders that they should refrain from sending proxies to the directors of any company until a statement has been published giving the required particulars. The stockholders must then decide themselves whether in their opinion the proposed compensation is fair and reasonable and such as should receive their support.

The opinion was also expressed that railway directors should take steps to reassure stockholders who have been disturbed by rumours as to recent large additions to the charges of railway companies in the shape of increased salaries and bonuses to members of the staffs.—Yours, etc.,

JOHN MACKIE AND CO., Secretaries,
Irish Railway Stockholders' Protection Association, Ltd,
39 Nassau street, Dublin,
December 11th, 1924.

SERIOUS FIRE IN MIDLETON.

A fire, involving the destruction of the garage and stores of Dineen Brothers at Broderick street, Midleton, County Cork, took place last night. Employés of Mr. Coffey, contractor, were the first to observe smoke issuing from the premises, but before the local fire brigade was on the scene the fire was well under way.

The contents of both premises were destroyed, but the flames were prevented from spreading to the adjoining premises.

Insurance at low rates with Phœnix Assurance Co., Ltd., 10-12 Trinity street, Dublin.—R. Warner, Manager. Agents everywhere. (Advt.)

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

NATURALISTS' FIELD CLUB.—The following nominations were made at a meeting of the Dublin Naturalists' Field Club last night:—President, Mrs. Long; Vice-President, Mr. A. Stelfox; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Harford. Dr. R. Lloyd Praeger lectured on "Some Botanical Aspects of the Canary Islands."

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

ARRIVALS:—M. McPherson, D. Watson, J. E. Smith, A. Jenkinson, A. Whiteley, J. J. Simington, W. Gregg, F. Twentyman, M. Nixon, M. C. Hall, M. Kelling, Y. Taylor, Dr. Carmelly, D. Rockliff, W. Whitehead, M. Smith, W. Campbell, C. McMara, T. McGinner, Mrs. Dill, Miss Mansfield, Miss Walsh.

DEPARTURES:—W. S. Fleet, Professor Culverwell, T. Oliver, A. Orr, S. Smith, J. Warburton, S. H. Carr, C. Neetham, P. J. Fox, W. P. Belcher, A. Moore, A. Norman, W. Babinson, T. Blackledge, James Flynn, W. Butler, J. P. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Duggan, G. T. Paige.

LEINSTER.

BOGUS COLLECTION.—Patrick Webster and Michael Ryan, The Commons, Ballingarry, Co. Tipperary, were sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour at Castlecomer for obtaining money from various persons with intent to defraud by falsely stating that they required it to work a coal mine at The Commons, Ballingarry, Co. Tipperary.

NOT TOO POOR TO DRINK.—When a man was summoned for drunkenness at the Clare, King's Co., Court, the policeman appealed for leniency, as the man was poor and had a large family. The magistrate, in fining him 1s., said that he could not be so terribly poor, for to get drunk cost a great deal of money.

LIBRARY FOR WICKLOW.—Officials of the Carnegie United Kingdom Libraries Trust are arranging a county repository in Wicklow prior to the establishment of the rural libraries scheme in the county. Wicklow town will be the headquarters for the county. Two years hence the County Council will assume control and responsibility.

CREGG SHOOTING RECALLED.—At Kilkenny yesterday £200 and £300 were awarded respectively to the mother and sister of the late Sergt. Griffin, Civic Guard, who was killed at Cregg, Carrick-on-Suir, last May.

MUNSTER.

TARRED ROADS AND FISH.—Limerick Fishery Board passed a resolution forbidding tar-spraying in the waterabed under the control of the Board, as the use of tar has been proved to be fatal to all water life. Bitumen, which is known to be innocuous, is to be used instead.

MOTOR DRIVER CHARGED.—Timothy Maloney, Athlunkard street, Limerick, was committed for trial at Kilmacthomas, Co. Waterford, last Wednesday, on a charge of causing the death of James Power, at Currabaha level crossing, by knocking him down with a motor car. He was allowed bail in £100.

CHRISTMAS RELIEF.—Tullamore Urban Council is to employ fifty men to clean the streets for a few days before Christmas, to relieve distress. The wages will be 8s. 4d. a day.

MIDLETON COURTHOUSE ACCOMMODATION.—Midleton, County Cork, Urban Council has protested against the delay in reconstructing the local courthouse. The chairman stated that the District Justice was thinking of moving his court to Youghal, for want of suitable accommodation in Midleton.

ULSTER.

LIFFORD'S PUMP.—Stranorlar Rural District Council has decided to have the pump in the Square, Lifford, repaired. It has been out of order for nine months.

ST. JOHNSTON'S COMMUNICATIONS.—Protests were made at a meeting of the Stranorlar Rural District Council at the delay in establishing telephone and telegraphic facilities at St. Johnston, County Donegal, although the wires pass through the village. The Council has decided to tell the Postmaster-General that it is prepared to give a guarantee.

Limerick Infirmary Committee has passed a resolution expressing regret at the death of the Hon. Mary Spring Rice, and sympathy with the relations.

At Morrice, County Limerick, yesterday, Thomas Hayes was fined £6 for being in possession of an illicit still.

Dublin Port and Docks Board yesterday agreed to hold a special meeting of the Committee next Tuesday to consider the varying rates in respect of passenger vessels.

County Kilkenny Insurance Committee yesterday passed a resolution calling on all approved societies under the National Health Insurance Act to afford dental treatment to their members.

Patrick Higgins, a private in the National Army, was remanded for a week in Dublin yesterday, on a charge of neglecting his three children, and failing to contribute to their support.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

DERRY FROLIC. — The Londonderry magistrate yesterday committed James Bradley, 214 Lecky road, for trial, on a charge of smashing two shop windows in Carlisle road. It was alleged that the defendant was drunk, and, with two other men, was going along Carlisle road when he put his foot through a shop window valued at £11. He then knocked down the placards at the Opera House, and kicked the taillight off a motor car. Someone then cursed the Pope, and the defendant put his boot through another shop window, doing damage estimated at £17 10s.

BELFAST ELECTRICITY CHARGES.—Belfast Corporation last night published a notice intimating a revision of the electricity charges. There is no alteration in the charge of 6d. a unit for general house lighting, but rates for power, heating, cooking and sign lighting have been reduced. The rate for heating, cooking and domestic appliances remains at 2d.

CO-OPERATIVE SUCCESS.—It was stated at a meeting organised by the Belfast Co-operative Society last Wednesday that £1,000,000 represented the trading of the Belfast Society for the past twelve months. There are now thirty-six branches under the control of the Society, which commenced operations in Belfast thirty-five years ago.

£30,000 FOR DOWN ROADS.—Down County Council yesterday decided to spend £30,000 on road maintenance. The money has been allocated as follows:—Banbridge rural district, £12,000; Castlereagh, £5,000; Downpatrick, £19,000; Hillsborough, £8,500; Kilkeel, £5,000; Moira, £1,000; Newry No. 1, £6,500; Newtownards, £33,000.

THE LATE MR. A. W. STEWART.—The funeral of Mr. Andrew W. Stewart, managing editor of the *Belfast Telegraph*, took place yesterday at Knockbreda Churchyard, Belfast. There was a large attendance.

Portrush motor lifeboat has been in the hands of Messrs. Harland and Wolff for overhaul and will return to its station this afternoon.

A month's imprisonment with hard labour was imposed yesterday on Ernest Ross, St. Kilda street, Belfast, for selling tickets for a lottery.

The death has occurred at Worthing of Mr. James Mulholland, who for twenty-five years was headmaster of Omagh Model School.

The following have been appointed Deputy Lieutenants for Down:—The Earl of Roden, Lieutenant-Colonel A. R. C. Gordon, D.S.O., and Mr. D. Wilson Spyth, Hunly, Banbridge.

TO-DAY'S BROADCASTING PROGRAMMES.

The letters "S.B." signify a simultaneous broadcast from the station mentioned.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.

1.0-2.0—Time from Big Ben. Concert: Edward C. Yapp (tenor). 3.15-3.45—Transmission to Schools. 4.0-5.0—Greenwich Time. Olive McKay (contralto). Organ and orchestral music. 5.30-6.15—Children. 6.40-6.55—Ministry of Agriculture. S.B. to other stations. 7.0—Time from Big Ben, Weather and News. S.B. to all stations. Percy Scholes, the B.B.C. Music Critic. S.B. to all stations. 7.35—The Novelty Trio: Margaret Glanville (soprano), Ronald Gourley (blind pianist, entertainer and sifteur), Harry East (humorous entertainer). 8.0—Victor Carne (tenor). The Cathedral Singers: Gladys Currie, Albert Whitehead, Taylor Harris, Joseph McLean, Violet Gordon Woodhouse (harpsichord). 9.0—Speech by the Mayor of Swansea, on the occasion of the official opening of the Swansea Relay Station. S.B. from Swansea. 9.10—Violet Gordon Woodhouse. 9.30—Greenwich Time, Weather and News. S.B. to all stations. "Foreign Affairs." S.B. to all stations. 10.0—"The Georgians": Violet Wenderby (soprano), Gertie Vincent (comedienne), Dorothy Holden (pianiste), Frank Thorden (entertainer), Harry Hearne (comedian), Robert Carr (baritone). 10.30—Close.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—475 Metres.

3.30-4.30—Orchestra. 5.0-5.30—Women. 5.30-6.40—Children. 6.40-6.55—Ministry of Agriculture. S.B. from London. 7.0—Weather and News. Percy Scholes. S.B. from London. 7.30-8.0—Spanish Lecture. 8.0—The Station Orchestra. Frank Thompson (entertainer). Station Repertory Company. 9.0—Speech by the Mayor of Swansea, on the occasion of the official opening of the Swansea Relay Station. S.B. from Swansea. 9.10—Music programme (continued). 9.30—Weather and News. Foreign Affairs. S.B. from London. 10.0—Music programme (continued). 10.30—Close.

BOURNEMOUTH (6SM)—385 Metres.

3.0-3.30—Educational Talk. 3.45-5.0—The "6BM" Trio. Joan Hastings (songs at the piano). 5.0-5.30—Children. 6.40-6.55—Ministry of Agriculture. S.B. from London. 7.0—Weather and News. Percy Scholes. S.B. from London. 7.30—Mr. T. Fowler Wright, Madge Whiteman (elocutionist). The Wireless Orchestra. 8.55-9.0—Interval. 9.0—Speech by the Mayor of Swansea, on the occasion of the official opening of the Swansea Relay Station. S.B. from Swansea. 9.10—Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News. Foreign Affairs. S.B. from London. 10.0—Excerpts from "In Memoriam." Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

CARDIFF (5WA)—331 Metres.

3.0-3.30—Transmission to Schools. 3.30-4.0—The Station Trio. 4.45-5.15—5WA's Five O'Clocks. 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.40-6.55—Ministry of Agriculture. S.B. from London. 7.0—Weather and News. Percy Scholes. S.B. from London. 7.30—Dorothy Robson (soprano), Herbert Thorpe (tenor), Frank Tyler (entertainer). The Station Orchestra. 9.0—Speech by the Mayor of Swansea, on the occasion of the official opening of the Swansea Relay Station and programmes. S.B. from Swansea. 9.30—Weather and News. S.B. from London. Foreign Affairs. S.B. from London. 10.0—Dance Music. 10.30—Close.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—378 Metres.

12.30-1.30—Organ (interlude). 2.30-3.0—Broadcast to Schools. 3.30-4.30—Concert. 4.30-5.0—Women. 5.0-6.0—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. Percy Scholes. S.B. from London. 7.30—Opening of the new Studio. Dorothy Maitland (soprano), Winifred Small (solo violin), Victor Smythe and Avery. The "2ZY" Opera Chorus, the "2ZY" Augmented Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News; Foreign Affairs; S.B. from London. 10.0—Orchestra. 11.0—Close.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—400 Metres.

3.30-4.0—Transmission to Schools. 4.0-4.45—Harold Dixon (solo oboe), W. J. Starkey (solo Banjo), A. H. Bodycombe (tenor). 5.15-6.30—Children. 6.40-6.55—Ministry of Agriculture. S.B. from London. 7.0—Weather and News. Percy Scholes. S.B. from London. 7.30—The Station Orchestra. The Gaiety Quartet. Grace Ivell and Vivian Worth. 9.0—Speech by the Mayor of Swansea, on the occasion of the official opening of the Swansea Relay Station. S.B. from Swansea. 9.10—Ernest Sharp (violin recital). 9.30—Weather and News. Foreign Affairs. S.B. from London. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

GLASGOW (5SC)—420 Metres.

3.30-4.0—Broadcast to Schools. 4.0-5.10—The Wireless Quartet. Nan Armstrong (soprano). 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.40-6.55—Weather for Farmers. 6.40-6.55—"Horticulture." 7.0—Weather and News. Percy Scholes; S.B. from London. 7.45—Orchestra; Carmen Hill (soprano), Helen Whitelaw (contralto). 9.30—Weather and News. Foreign Affairs. S.B. from London. 10.0—Orchestra. 10.30—Close.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—315 Metres.

3.15-3.45—Broadcast to Schools. 4.0-5.0—Band. 5.30-6.30—Children. 6.40-6.55—Ministry of Agriculture. S.B. from London. 7.0—Weather and News. Percy Scholes. S.B. from London. 7.30—The Band of the Liverpool City Police. Gladys Gerrard (soprano), the Abbey Male Voice Quartet, J. H. Peyt (alto), Mat Thomas (tenor), J. T. Williams (baritone), Ralph Smith (bass). 9.30—Weather and News. Foreign Affairs. S.B. from London. 10.0—Quartet. 10.10—Band. 10.30—Close.

BELFAST (2BE)—435 Metres.

3.45-5.0—Concert: The Station Orchestra. 5.30-6.15—Children's Corner. 6.45-6.50—Mr. G. T. Jackson, F.L.S., Horticultural Bulletin. 7.0—Weather Forecast and News. S.B. from London. Percy Scholes. S.B. from London. Local News. 7.30—"The Messiah," by the Belfast Philharmonic Society, relayed from the Ulster Hall: Dora Labbette (soprano), Helen Weeds (contralto), Hugh Macklin (tenor), Foster Richardson (bass). In the Studio, The Oldpark Male Voice Quartet: T. A. Heather (1st tenor), P. McIlveen (2nd tenor), R. H. Moore (1st bass), J. W. Greer (2nd bass). T. O. Corrin (pianist). 8.50—Quartet: "Ta Celta" (Lee Williams). Mrs. Cosy's Boarding House" (Harvey); "The Owl and the Pussycat" (Rev. De Koven). 9.0—Speech by the Mayor of Swansea, on the occasion of the official opening of the Swansea Relay Station. S.B. from Swansea. 9.10—Quartet. "Old Uncle Mose" (Charles Scott); "Negro Medley from the South" (arr. H. H. Pike); "Away Down South" (arr. George Rosey). 9.30—T. O. Corrin. Bourrée from Suite for Orchestra (Bach); Scherzo Andante Mesteso (Cyril Scott). 9.50—Weather Forecast and News. S.B. from London. Foreign Affairs Talk. S.B. from London. Local News. 10.0—Close down.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

An outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease was confirmed yesterday on premises near Swaffham, Norfolk.

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

Business on the Dublin Stock Exchange was rather quiet, and there was an easier tone in most markets. National Loan Fives were a firmer market, while British War Fives eased slightly. Dublin Corporation Stock continues bid for, while holders are looking for substantial advance. Banking Shares were irregular. Bank of Ireland Stock was unchanged, while Munsters and Royals were easier. National Banks, however, were in better request. The Brewery market was dull, and lower prices were recorded. Guinness Ord. were on offer at slight reduction, as were Buchanan-Dewars. Dublin Distillers Pref. were slightly better. Marconis continue to fall owing to little support. Home Rails were a quiet market, but a harder tendency was noticeable. Great Southern Ord. improved, while sellers of Dublin South-Eastern held for a smart advance. Tramways were unchanged. Parent Tyres were on offer, while the Def. hardened slightly. Dunlop Rubbers remained unchanged. Courtaulds and Bleachers, in Textiles, again came easier, while Sewing Cottons were slightly harder. Imperial Tobaccos were supported, and Lever Bros. were well held.

Government National Loan improved ⅛ to 93, while Compensation 5 p.c. Stock was firm at 90.

In British Funds, Consols remained unchanged at 57$\frac{7}{16}$. War Loan 5 p.c. fell $\frac{1}{16}$ to 101¼.

In Banks, Bank of Ireland Stock was unchanged at 273. Munsters fell $\frac{1}{16}$ to 6$\frac{11}{16}$, and Royals $\frac{1}{16}$ to 13⅞, after 13$\frac{15}{16}$ was paid. Nationals were supported, rising ⅛ to 20⅜.

In Breweries and Distilleries, Guinness Ord. fell $\frac{1}{16}$ to 49⅞, also Buchanan-Dewars Ord., 9d. to 67s. 3d. Dublin Distillers Pref. improved slightly to 79s., as against last quotation, 78s. Bristol Brewery Ord. were inquired for.

Wireless issues remained a dull market, Marconi Ord. falling 1s. to 31s. 6d.-31s. 9d.

Among Home Rails, Great Southern Ord. met support, rising ⅜ to 39⅞, after changing hands at 39⅜, while the Debs. dropped ½ to 68¼, also Dublin and South-Eastern 4 p.c. Pref. to 50¼. "Wicklow" Ord. seemed round 19, without quoting.

Tramways were idle outside Dublin United Pref., which remained unchanged at 9¼.

Dunlop Rubbers repeated 10s. for small lot. Parent Def. improved 6d. to 44s. 6d., after changing hands at 44s. 3d.

Johnston, Mooney 4 p.c. Debenture improved ½ to 6¼.

Drapery Shares were idle, but mostly on offer.

As regards Manufacturing Shares, Courtaulds fell 4½d. to 64s. 10½d., after 65s. was paid. Bleachers Ord. were still pressed for sale, and fell 1s. to 63s. 6d.-63s. 7½d. Coats Ord. were less firm, and reacted 3d. to 63s. 3d., while English Sewing Cotton rose a similar amount to 60s. 6d. Imperial Tobacco Ord. improved 1½d. to 85s. 7½d., while the "A" and "B" Pref. quoted 22s. 4½d. and 23s. 3d., respectively. Lever Bros. 8 p.c. Pref. fell 1½d. to 21s. 9d., the 7 p.c. Pref. remaining unchanged at 21s. 9d.

Other business done included Irish-American Oil Pref., which repeated 19s. Brunner, Mond improved 3d. to 39s. 3d. Vickers Ord. quoted 12s. 1½d. Kinta Kellas Rubbers fetched 3s. 4d. Chartereds were a busy market at 15s. 9d. to 16s.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked "c."

National Loan..(92¾)	93	Dub. Tram Pref..(9¼)	9¼
Compensation Stock (90)	90	Parent Def..(44/-)	*44/3 /6
Consols ......(57$\frac{7}{16}$)	57$\frac{7}{16}$	Dunlops .....(10/-)	*10/-
5% War Loan (101⅜)	101¼	Alliance Gas......(6½)	6½
War Bonds 1927...106¼		Johnston Deb.......(6½)	6¼
War Bonds 1928...106⅛		Bleachers.(64/6)	63/7½ /6
5½% Exch. Bonds......100		Coats ....(63/6)	63/3
Dublin Stock..(67¼)	67½b	Cottons ....(60/3)	60/6
Sligo Harbour...(45)	47a	Courtaulds ......(65/3)	65/- 4/10½
Bank Ireland.(273)	273c	Do. Pref.	18/9
Mun. & Lein......(6¾)	6$\frac{11}{16}$	Brunner Mond	39/3
National ......(20¼)	20⅜	Imp. Tob...(85/6)	85/7½
Provincial ...(21½)	21½b	Do. A Pref.	22/4½
Royal ......(13$\frac{15}{16}$)	13⅞ ⅞	Do. B Pref.	23/3
Buchanan-Dewar (68/-)	67/3	Do. Canada.(28/6)	28/3
Dublin Distillers Pref. (78/9)	79/-	Lever 7% .....(21/9)	21/9
Guinness .....(49⅝)	49⅞	Do. 8% ...(21/10½)	21/9
Do. Pref.....(11¾)	*11$\frac{13}{16}$c	Vickers ....(12/4½)	12/1½
Marconi...(32/6)	31/9 /6	Do. Pref.......(17/3)	17/3
G.S. Ord.....(39½)	39⅞ ⅜	Chartered .....(15/9)	15/9 /10½ 16/-
Do. Guar.....(56¼)	56⅞	Irish-American Oil	*19/-
Do. Deb.....(68⅞)	68¼	Hibernian Fire (4/10½)	4/9
D.S.E. Pref....(50½)	50¼	Kinta Kellas Rub.	3/4

* Odd lot, b bid, a asked.

(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount	5 p.c. 5th July, 1923.
Deposit	2 p.c. 5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day	Dec. 15	Jan. 5
General contango day	Dec. 16	Jan. 6
Ticket day	Dec. 17	Jan. 7
Account day	Dec. 18	Jan. 8

BELFAST.

Business was dull on Belfast Stock Exchange yesterday. War Loan changed hands at 101$\frac{3}{16}$ and 101$\frac{1}{16}$, Treasury 5 p.c. 15-year Bonds at 100¼. In Banks, business was recorded in Northern Bank "A" at 5½ and Westminsters at 18. Westminster fully paid brought 51s. 6d., and Midland partly paid 8$\frac{11}{16}$. In Railway stocks, Belfast and Co. Down 5 p.c. brought 86. Industrials were idle. Fine Cotton Spinners were dealt in at 55s. 9d.; Dunlops brought 10s.; Vulcanite Ord., 10s.; Imperial Tobacco Ord., 85s. 4½d. and 85s. 6d.; Coats, 63s. 3d.; Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref., 21s. 9d.; and Dunlop "C" Pref., 20s. 3d.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles quieter, but fairly steady. Bleachers, 63/6-64/-; do. Pref., 22/-22/6; Calicos, 36/3-36/9; do. Pref., 18/6-18/9; Dyers, 84/-85/-; do. Pref., 20/-20/6; Cottons, 60/-61/-; do. Pref., 19/9-20/-; Spinners, 55/6-56/-; do. Pref., 19/9-20/-; "Slubbers," 8/6-8/9; Coats, 63/-63/6; Ship Canal, 8¼-8½; do. Pref., 8⅜-8⅝; Velvets, 30/9-31/-.

BIRMINGHAM.—Motor shares undecided. S.T.D. Pref. rallied to 10/9. Enfields and Bluemels scarce. Rovers, Singers and Standards heavy. Parent Def. lower. Austins, 6/4½; do. Debs., 88½; Bluemels, 37/3; Components, 3/6; S.T.D., 5/6; Enfields, 26/6; Humbers, 29/7½; Napiers, 24/3; do. Pref., 19/3; Rolls, 29/-; Rovers, 11/6; Singers, 33/10½; Standards, 48/-; Swifts, 9/6; Triumphs, 28/9; Vauxhalls, 5/9; Dunlops, 10/-; Parent Def., 44/3.

OIL OUTPUT.

The Caltex Oil Company reports having received the following cable from Mexico:—"Camalote Well No. 6 come in at five thousand barrels per day. Well has been officially tested at this capacity. Oil was struck at 1,805 ft., which indicates well of long life. Pipeline connection with well being made by Southern Pacific Railway Company's Mexican subsidiary, the East Coast Oil Company, who have agreed take oil, and we expect commence making deliveries before end month."

Tampico Oil.—Total production on the company's properties in Mexico during November was 49,560 barrels, in respect of which the royalty due to Tampico Oil, Ltd., amounted to 3,717 barrels.

TRAFFICS.

Great Western, week's receipts, £530,000—inc. £12,000; London and North-Eastern, week's receipts, £1,035,000—dec. £20,000; London, Midland and Scottish, week's receipts, £1,376,000—inc. £16,000; Southern, week's receipts, £370,000—inc. £15,000. East Indian Railway, week to December 6, inc. Rs.104,000. Burma Railways—Week to November 8, dec. Rs.4,383.

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LONDON STOCKS QUIET

BUSINESS IN A FOG.

The London Stock Markets were subdued yesterday, business being to some extent restricted by the poor attendance of members on account of the fog. Here and there dulness obtained, there being some end of account liquidation. The preliminary carry-over in Mining shares commenced. A brighter tone, however, was evident in some directions when Paris gave support to certain speculative counters. In the gilt-edged market British Funds were generally steady, but, where any alteration was recorded, lower prices were returned. Funding Loans finished ⅛ lower on the day, the final quotation being only 89¼. Consols were quiet and without alteration at the close. Conversions, on the other hand, gave way, the 3½ per cent. finishing ⅛ down at 79. The 4½ per cent., however, after being lower, recovered, and finished at the previous figure. Among Colonial Government scrips Sudan 4 per cent. eased, the turn being $\frac{1}{16}$ lower at 23$\frac{1}{16}$ at the close. Australia 4½ per cent. (N.W. £32½ paid) were better, the final quotation being only ⅛ discount, an improvement of ⅛ over the former level. Queensland 5 per cent. also improved to 62½, a gain of ⅛. Radio Corporation "A" Common lost ground, being ⅜ down at 9. A fair amount of business was put through in Brewery descriptions, but at the finish prices were much the same as before.

FOREIGN BONDS IDLE.

French Fives were lower on the weakness of the franc, and at the close they showed a decrease of ½ at 20½. The Fours, however, were held at their previous quotation. Argentine and Brazilian issues were steady and unchanged, as were Chinese. Japanese were firm, but there also no change was marked. German 3 per cent. were quiet, but the 7 per cent. were dull, the final price being $\frac{1}{16}$ lower.

BRITISH RAILS LOWER.

Home rails were depressed by the claims of labour for higher wages, Great Western being a point lower at 109½, while Midlands at 101 were 1½ points down. North-Eastern 5 per cent. Pref.-Ord lost ½ to 84, while the Def.-Ord were ⅜ lower at 31. Metros. Consols were firm at their higher level, but the Districts slipped back slightly, the final quotation being ½ down at 56¼. Southern Pref.-Ord. remained at 85¼, but the Def.-Ord. at 44 and the "A" shares at 42 were both ½ lower than the previous closing price. The 5 per cent. Pref. marked a premium of 1¼.

FOREIGN RAILS IRREGULAR.

An irregular tendency was manifest in Colonial and Foreign Rails, and price changes were slightly lower on balance. "Can. Pacs." shed a point to 161 x.d., while Central Uruguay dropped ½ to 69¼. Among Mexican Rails the 8 per cent. Pref. at 29 showed a decline of a point. Mexican National 2nd Pref. finished ½ lower at 2¼. Central Argentine at 72¼ were ½ better, while Antofagasta Ord. at 87 also marked an improvement of ½ on the day. Among Buenos Ayres issues, the Great Southern at 86 and the Pacific at 79½ were both ½ to the good, while the Western were repeated at 76½.

OIL SHARES DULL.

In common with most other sections of the Stock Exchange, the Oil Share market had an extremely quiet appearance yesterday, dealers finding little to occupy their attention. An easier tendency characterised most of the leading issues during the early hours, but some recovery occurred later. On balance, however, price movements were generally slight and irregular. The recognised leaders presented nothing of special interest. Shells, which gave way at first on a moderate amount of offering, recovered to the overnight's level; while Royal Dutch, following a dull opening, met with a little support and finally registered a small improvement. Burmahs weakened during the early hours, but finished steady and unchanged, while a recovery occurred in Anglo-Persians. Anglo-Americans became dull and finished at a decline. Mexican Eagles moved within narrow limits, but a moderate demand arose in the late dealings for both the Ord. and the 7 per cent. First Prefs., which left off harder. V.O.C. Holdings received a fair amount of attention, and while they weakened in the early hours, support was forthcoming later, and an improvement was finally recorded. British Controlled, after having been offered at a decline, finished steady. Among Trinidad issues lower prices ruled. Leaseholds also gave way, although no pronounced selling pressure was encountered, and shrinkages occurred in United British and Friendships. Transactions in Rumanians were unimportant.

RUBBER SHARES DULL.

The amount of business transacted in the Rubber Share market yesterday was on the small side, while an irregular tendency characterised dealings. Price changes were not numerous. A few issues finished the day higher, but the majority of alterations were in the downward direction. Batu Tiga were dull, and the closing price showed a decline of 1s. 7½d. from the overnight level to 35s. 7½d. Bukit Rajah opened lower and sagged further during the session; as a consequence the final quotation was 1s. down at 21s. 6d. Glenbervie and Java Amalgamated were both heavy, the former losing 1s. to 26s. 6d., while the latter marked a fall of 10½d. at 28s. Malacca Ord. at 36s. were 1s. below the previous quotation, while Pilmoor lost 9d. to 18s. Sialang, on the other hand, were exceptionally firm, being 2s. 6d. better on the day at 36s. 3d. Un Sua Betong put on 6d. to 69s. 3d. ex div. The price of rubber rose to 18½d. per lb.

TEA SHARES FIRM.

A firm tone was in evidence in the Tea Share market. The amount of business transacted was small, being restricted to some extent by the poor attendance of members. A long list of alterations was recorded, but they were for the most part narrow. A number of shares again finished lower on the day, but the majority were in favour of holders. Consolidated Tea and Lands fell ½ to 79½. Assam Dooars were firm and higher, the closing figure being a point higher than the overnight quotation. Amalgamated Estates at 45¾, and Moabund at 85s. 10½d. were both better, while increases were shown in Jorehaut, Longai Valley, and Cachar and Dooars, the latter finishing 2s. 6d. to the good at 98s. 6d. x.d. Associated Estates and Borhella were lower on the day, while Jokai also fell a fraction below the previous quotation.

INDUSTRIALS QUIET.

In company with most other sections of the "House," Miscellaneous and Industrial markets experienced another quiet day, business being mainly of a professional character. A dull opening was witnessed, and, with some liquidation in progress, prices gave way in several departments, but towards the close a harder tendency developed, and on balance few important changes were seen. A renewed demand for Royal Exchange Assurance lifted the quotation another 5 to 635, business taking place at up to 643, which is the highest touched this year. General Accidents came into request, and rose ½ to 8¼, and Suns also put on that much to 21¾. Bank Shares, however, were undecided. National Provincial (£3 10s.) moved up to 10, or ¼ better. Changes in the Miscellaneous Trading group were mostly to lower levels. Among Newspaper and Printing issues "Daily Mirrors" lost $\frac{1}{16}$ at 6$\frac{1}{16}$, but "Sunday Pictorials" recovered to 4¼, and Waterlow Defd. put on ½ to 20.

Whiskey descriptions developed weakness, Buchanans were noticeably flat at 66s., or 2s. down on balance; while J. Walkers further receded to 63s. In Breweries Hodgsons dropped ½ to 11, Threlfalls $\frac{1}{16}$ to 2⅝, and Courage 1s. to 42s. 6d. Bisckerts, however, found support, which lifted the price 2 to 169½ ex div. St. Louis Prefs. rose ½ to 6¼, and Bass Ratcliffs $\frac{1}{16}$ to 2⅞. Tobaccos had a dull appearance. B.A.T.'s fell 1s. to 109s., and losses of 9d. were seen in United South and the Def. to 84s. 9d. and 83s. 9d., respectively. Albert Bakers and R. and J. Hills both eased to 32s., but Imperials of Canada strengthened to 28s. 6d. Carreras remained steady at 11½. The feature of the Textile section was Fine Spinners, which left off 1s. 3d. higher at 56s. Sewing Cottons strengthened to 60s. 9d., and Dyestuffs and the Prefs. were wanted, the former improving to 6s. 9d., and the latter to 13s. Courtaulds left off unchanged at 64s. 9d., after being dull at one time, but Celanese Prefs. shed 3d. to 11s. 9d., and Slubbers a like amount to 8s. 9d. Bradford Dyers closed 5d. down at 84s. 9d. The Marconi group held their ground, except for the Debs., which lost ½ at 103. Interest in the Iron, Coal, and Steel section was on a small scale. Among recent issues Lewis's Debentures weakened to par, though Liquid Air recovered to 22s. 6d., and Clyde Valleys to 4s. prem. Spillers Notes were a firm spot at 1½ prem.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols.........	57¼-58¼*	4½% Conv. Ln.	97-97½*
War Ln. 3½%...	97-97¼	3½ Treas. Bds.	100¼-101
do. 4½%......	97-97¼	Irish Land 2¾%	66-67
do. 5%.........	101¼-101½	India 3%...	67-68*
do. 4% (Tax Free)	101-101½	do. 3½%...	66-67
		do. 4½%...	100-104
Fund'g L'n...	89¼-89½—⅛	do. 7%.....	105-107
Victory Bds...	93-93¼	Local Lns.....	[illegible]
3½% Conv. Ln.	78¾-79¼—⅛	Sudan 5½%...	108-109

BANKS.

Anglo S. Amer.	7⅛-7⅜ —$\frac{1}{16}$	Hong Kong...	14⅞-14½
Australasia...	13⅛-13½	Lloyds.....	9⅞-9⅞
Bank N.S.W.	39⅞-40	Midland......	8½-8⅞
Do. N. S....	3-3½	Nat. Dis. B	6⅞-6⅞
Barclays A...	5⅞-5½	Nat Prov(£4)	11⅞-11½
Brit. F. Trade	$\frac{3}{16}$-$\frac{1}{4}$	Royal of Can	43-51
Do. Overseas	2⅞-3⅜	Stand. S.A....	11⅜-11⅜
Can. of Com.	42-43	Un. Australia	14⅞-14½
Char. of India	20⅛-21	Westminster	18-18⅛

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4½ 1943..	88-88	Q'sland 4,1940-50	86-88
Aust. Com. 5½%	100-102	do. 5%, 1930-5	100-101
do. 6%	105-107	do. 6% 1930-40	105-107
Brit. Col. 4½ 1941.	92-94	S. Africa 4% Cns	90-92
Canada 4%	92-94	do. 6%	104-106
do. 4½ 1930-5	99¼-100¼	S.A'stra'ia,'40-60	85-87
Cape 3½ Cons.	79-81*	do. 5½%	100-102
Ceylon 6%	107-109*	do. 6½%	107-109
Natal 3½ '34	82-84	do. 5% 1925-45	100-102
N.S.W. 4½ '22-7	97-99*	Victoria 4, '40-60	88-90
do. 5½ 1922-7	99-101	do. 6½ 1922-5	100-1
do. 5½% 1922-32	100-102	W.Aus. 4½ '42-62	95-97*
do. 6½% 1930-40	107-109	do. 5½% 1930-40	101-102
N. Zeal'd 4, '29.	95-97	do. 5% 1935-45	100-102
Nigeria 6%......	113-115*	do. 6% 1930-40...	102-4*

FOREIGN BONDS.

M.U. Dec. 2.				
101⅛	Argentine, 1886	100⅛	102⅛	
77⅛	Do. 4 p.c. Rescissions	77	79	
91	Do. 5 p.c. 1909	91	93	
42⅛	Brazil 4 p.c., 1889	43	45	
83	Do. Funding, 1909	84	86	
71⅛	Do. 5 p.c., 1914	72	74	
83⅛	Chinese 5 p.c. 1896	83	85	
80⅛	Do. 4½ p.c., 1898	80	83	
69	Do. 5 p.c., 1912	68	70	
90⅛	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	98	100	
75⅛	Egyptian Unified	76	77	
21⅛	French Loan	20	21	—⅛
16⅛	Do. 4 p.c.	16	17	
20/0	German 3 p.c.	1⅛	1⅛	
19⅛	Italian Rentes	19⅛	20⅛	
90	Japan 4 p.c., 1905	80	82	
78⅛	Do. New 5 p.c., 1907	79	81	
92	Do. 6 p.c., 1924	91	92	
44	Mexican 5 p.c. '99	40	50	
54	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	48	50	
4⅛	Peruvian Corporation	4⅛	5⅛	
37	Do. Pref.	38⅛	39⅛	
99⅛	Do. Deb.	99	101	
25⅛	Portuguese 3 p.c.	25	27	
107	San Paulo 8 p.c.	106	108	
—	Spanish 4 p.c.	65	67	
61⅛	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	61	62	

BRITISH RAILS.

109⅛	Great Western	109	110	—1
101⅛	Ldn. Mid. & Scot. Ord.	100⅛	101⅛	—1⅛
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	81	83	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	97	100	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	97	100	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923.	80	82	
82⅛	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	83⅛	84⅛	—⅛
30⅛	Do. Def. Ord.	30⅛	31⅛	—⅛
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	81	83	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	80	82	
78⅛	Metropolitan	82⅛	83⅛	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	99	102	
53⅛	Do. District	55	57	—⅛
83⅛	Southern Pref. Ord.	85	86	
43⅛	Do. Def. Ord.	43⅛	44⅛	—⅛
41	Do. "A"	41⅛	42⅛	—⅛
10	Do. "B"	10	11	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	100	102	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf. '24	99	101	
2⅛	Underground Electric	2⅛	2⅛	
89	Do. Income Bonds	98	100	
105	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	104	106	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

86	Antofagasta	86	88	+⅛
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	78	80	
—	Bahia Blanca	83⅛	85⅛	
—	Brazil Railway Common	⅛	⅛	
85⅛	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	85	87	+⅛
80⅛	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	78⅛	80⅛	+⅛
75⅛	Buenos Ayres and W.	75⅛	77⅛	
166	Canadian Pacific	160	162	—1
73⅛	Central Argentine	71⅛	73⅛	+⅛
69⅛	Central Uruguay	68⅛	70⅛	—⅛
—	Entre Rios	59⅛	61⅛	
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	81⅛	83⅛	—⅛
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	71⅛	72	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	69	71	
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Deb.	66	68	
28⅛	Leopoldina	28⅛	29⅛	
—	Mexican Rails	9⅛	9⅛	
29⅛	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	29	30	—1
16⅛	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	15	17	
—	Mexican Nat. 1st Pref.	5⅛	6⅛	
1⅛	Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref.	2	2⅛	—⅛
157	San Paulo Ord.	157	161	
84⅛	United Havana	84	86	

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	122	124	—1
—	Baltimore	79	81	
—	Chesapeake	100	102	+1
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	17	18	—⅛
33	Erie	33	35	—1
—	Do. 1st Pref.	45	47	—1
—	New York, Ontario	22	24	—1
51	Southern Common	80	82	—1
—	Do. Pref.	90	93	
—	Southern Pacific	108	110*	
161	Union Pacific	155	157*	—1

TELEGRAPHS.

24⅛	Anglo-American Def.	24⅛	24⅛	
1⅛	Marconi Wireless Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Do. Pref.	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Do. Debs.	103	106	
1⅛	Do. Marine	1	1⅛	
5 0	Do. Canada	5/1⅛	5/4⅛	+0/0⅛
—	Oriental Telephone	1⅛	2*	
9	Radio Corporation	8⅛	9⅛	—⅛
10⅛	Do. Pref. (550)	10⅛	11*	

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

16/0	Allsopp £1 Shares	⅛	⅛	
88⅛	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	88	91	
—	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	90	93	
40/6	Do. Ord.	2⅛	2⅛	
494	Guinness	494	504	
—	Do. Pref.	118	120*	
20/6	Peter Walker Ord.	20/6	21/0	
2	South African Breweries	1⅛	2⅛*	
21/0	Walker (John) Pref.	21/6	23/6*	
204	Watney Combe Def.	212	217	

FOODSTUFFS AND STORES.

28/6	Aerated Bread	1⅛	1⅛*	
44/0	Bovril Def.	2⅛	2⅛	
78 0	Lipton	1⅛	1⅛	
4⅛	Lyons (J.)	4⅛	5⅛	
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	26/10⅛	27/1⅛	
5/4⅛	Maypole Def.	5 0	5⅛	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	2⅛	2⅛	
1⅛	Spratt's Patent	1⅛	2	
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	1	1⅛*	
23/0	Van Den Berghs	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Do. Pref.	4⅛	5⅛*	

IRON AND STEEL.

16/6	Armstrong (W. G.)	16/0	17/0	
11 6	Cammell Laird	11 6	12/6	
11 9	Dorman Long	12 6	13/6	—0/6
—	Furness, Withy	1⅛	37/0	
16/6	John Brown	1⅛	1⅛	
14/6	Do. (15/- paid)	1⅛	1⅛	
22/6	Pease and Partners	20/6	21/6	—0/6
25/0	South Durham Steel	2⅛	2⅛*	+⅛
22 9	Siemens	1⅛	1⅛	
7/9	United Steel	7/3	8/3	
12 6	Vickers Ord.	11/6	12/6	—0/6
—	Weardale Iron C.P.O.	1⅛	1⅛*	

LAND.

—	Aboukir Land	18/0	19/0	—0/6
10/0	Argentine Northern Land	⅛	⅛	
28/6	Do. Southern Land	1⅛	1⅛*	
11/0	B.N.B. Land	⅛	⅛	
22/9	Forestal Land	1⅛	1⅛	—⅛
5⅛	Hudson's Bay Ord.	5⅛	5⅛	+⅛
10/0	Niger Pref.	⅛	⅛	
11 9	Pekin Syndicate	⅛	⅛	
23 6	Rio Negro Lands	1⅛	1⅛	

NEWSPAPERS.

6$\frac{1}{16}$	Assd. Newspapers Def.	6$\frac{1}{16}$	6$\frac{5}{16}$	
—	Daily Mail Deb.	108	108⅛	—⅛
7⅛	Daily Mirror Ord.	6$\frac{1}{16}$	6⅛	—$\frac{1}{16}$
4$\frac{1}{16}$	Sunday Pictorial Ord.	81/4⅛	82/4⅛	—0/4⅛

NITRATES.

23⅛	Alianza	23	24	
79/6	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate	78/0	80/0	+1/0
8⅛	Lautaro Nitrate	8⅛	9	
40/0	Lagunas Nitrate	1⅛	1⅛	
77/0	Liverpool Nitrate	75/0	77/0*	
73/0	London Nitrate	73/0	75/0	
35/6	Rosario Nitrate	35/0	37/0	
38/0	Santa Rita Nitrate	38 0	40 0	
3⅛	Santiago Nitrate	3⅛	3⅛*	
16 3	Tarapaca Nitrate	16/6	17/6	

SHIPPING.

15/0	Cargo Fleet	13/6	14/6	
—	Court Line	32/3	32 9	
—	Cunard Ord.	19/6	20/6	
—	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf.	19 6	20/6	
—	P. and O. Def.	308	318	—9
—	Royal Mail Ord.	95	100*	

TEXTILES AND STORES.

11/4½	Amalgamated Cotton	10/3	11/3	—0/3
64/0	Bleachers	3⅛	3⅛	
82/6	Bradford Dyers	4⅛	4⅛	—$\frac{1}{16}$
7/8	British Celanese Ord.	7/4⅛	7/7⅛	—0/6
38/0	Calico Printers	1⅛	1⅛	—$\frac{1}{16}$
63/6	Coats	3⅛	3⅛*	
65/0	Courtaulds	3⅛	3⅛	
60/0	English Sewing Cotton	2⅛	3⅛	
55/0	Fine Spinners	2⅛	2⅛	
44/6	Harrods	2⅛	2⅛	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	2⅛	2⅛	
30/9	Lister Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref.	1⅛	1⅛	

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

36/3	African and East. Trade.	35/0	37/0	
3⅛	Anglo-Arg. Tram 1st Pf.	3	3⅛	
17/6	Associated Cement	16/9	17/9	—0/3
—	Do. Pref.	15/9	16/9	
43/0	Borax Con. Def.	2⅛	2⅛*	
57⅛	Brazilian Traction	56	58	
28/0	British Portland Cement	27/0	29 0	
—	British Glass	1/6⅛	1/9⅛	
13/0	B.S.A.	13/3	14/3	
23 0	British Oil and Cake	1⅛	1⅛	—⅛
69⅛	Brit. Col. Electric Rail.	68	70	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	88	91*	
109/3	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	108/6	110/6	—0/9
39/6	Brunner Mond	1⅛	2	
23 0	Bryant and May	2⅛	2⅛	
—	De la Rue Def.	23⅛	23⅛	—⅛
10/1⅛	Dunlop Rubber	9/9	10/3	
103⅛	Do. Deb.	103	105	
—	Do. Amer. Tire Deb.	100	104*	
—	English Electric	18 6	20 0	
—	Finlay (James)	3⅛	3⅛	
20/9	General Electric Ord.	20 0	21/6	
—	Do. Debs.	104	107	
—	Gramophone Ord.	1⅛	1⅛*	
84 9	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	85/0	86/0	
21/3	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	21/3	22/3	
—	Lever 7 p.c. Debs.	107	109	
—	Lever 5 p.c. Debs.	98	100	
22	Mexican Trams	19	21	
—	Do. Bonds	71	73	—1
—	Do. L. and P. Bonds	78	80	
24/6	Nobel Ord.	24/3	25/3	
21/6	Do. Pref.	20/9	21/9	
—	Do. Def.	6/6	7/6	
2⅛	Parent Tyre Def.	2⅛	2⅛	
22/6	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1⅛*	
33/6	Platt Bros. Ord.	1⅛	1⅛	
28/9	Rolls Royce	1⅛	1⅛	
33/9	Salt Union	1⅛	1⅛	
96	San Paulo Tram Deb.	95	97*	
—	Shawinigan Water Debs.	108	111	
—	Tilling Ord.	2⅛	2⅛	
—	Do. 6½ p.c. Cum. Pref.	4⅛	4⅛	
—	United Alkali	1⅛	2	
24 6	Wallpaper Def.	22/0	25/0*	—1/0

OILS.

M.U. Dec. 2.				
⅛	Agwi Petroleum	⅛	⅛	
3⅛	Anglo-American	3⅛	3⅛	
2⅛	Anglo-Ecuadorian	2⅛	2⅛	
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1⅛	1⅛	
24/9	Anglo-Persian £ p.c.	24/3	24/9	
25 0	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref.	23/4⅛	25/10⅛	
⅛	Do. Ord., issued 3⅛ p.c.	⅛	⅛	
94	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	94	96	
2⅛	Apex Trinidad	2⅛	2⅛	
3⅛	Attock	3⅛	3⅛	
10/0	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	⅛	⅛	
8/9	British Burmah (8/-)	8/6	7/6	
13/9⅛	British Controlled	13/10⅛	14/1⅛	
14/3	Do. Pref.	14/6	14/9	+0/1⅛
6⅛	Burmah	6⅛	6⅛	
38/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	38/3	38/9	
2/9	Caltex	2/0	3/3	
3/3	Dacia Romano	3/0	3/6	
4⅛	Eagle Transport	4⅛	4⅛	
101	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	101	103	
102	Do. Bearer	102	104	
1/0	General Pet. Trinidad A.	1/0	1/0	
14/10⅛	Kern River (10/-)	14/3	14/9	—0/1⅛
9⅛	Lobitos	9⅛	9⅛	
18/3	Mexican Eagle	17/9	18/3	+0/1⅛
16/10⅛	Do. Pref.	16/6	17/6	
14/0	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	13/7⅛	14/1⅛	+0/4⅛
5/3	North Caucasian (10/-)	⅛	⅛	
2/6	Peru Syndicate	1/0	2/0	
19/6	Phoenix	19/4⅛	19/10⅛	
—	Rumanian Consolidated	11/9	12/3	
29⅛	Royal Dutch	29⅛	30⅛	+⅛
4⅛	Shell Transport	4⅛	4⅛	
9⅛	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9⅛	9⅛	
25/0	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	24/10⅛	25/4⅛	—0/1⅛
2/3	Spies (10/-)	2/0	2/6	
8/0	Steaua Romana	8/10⅛	9/4⅛	
6/6	Tankers Pref.	6/0	6/9	—0/1⅛
1⅛	Trinidad Central	1⅛	1⅛	
1⅛	Trinidad Lease	1⅛	1⅛	—⅛
7 3	United Brit. Trinidad	7/3	7/9	—0/1⅛
2/3	Ural Caspian	⅛	⅛	
2/0	Urox Oil	2/0	2/6	—0/1⅛
2⅛	V.O.C. Holdings	2⅛	2⅛	+⅛
2⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	2⅛	2⅛	+⅛

RUBBERS.

44/6	Anglo-Dutch	44/0	—0/3
2/10⅛	Anglo-Java	2/10⅛	
1⅛	Anglo-Malay	25/4⅛	+0/4⅛
4/6	Bertam Cons.	4/7⅛	
3 0	Bukit Mertajam	3 2	+0/2
2/0	Bukit Sembawang	2/1⅛	
16/0	Damansara	16/3	
22 3	Grand Central	22 9	+0/1⅛
1⅛	Highlands	1⅛	
2/0	Hamming	2 8	—0/2
4⅛	Kapong	4/4⅛	
1⅛	Kuala Lumpur	28/0	
1⅛	Labu	31/3	
1⅛	Linggi	32/0	
3 10⅛	London-Asiatic	3/11	—0/1
1⅛	Malacca	36/0	—1/0
38 3	Malayalam	38 0	
3/6⅛	Merlimau	3 6	
1⅛	Moopiy Valley	23/9	
2 7⅛	Port Dickson	2 9⅛	
32 6	Rubber Trust	32/7⅛	—0/1⅛
13 9	Seafield	14/3	—0/6
1⅛	Senatyan	33 6⅛	—0/2⅛
1⅛	Sialang	36.3	+2/6
21/0	Straits Rubber	21/0	
1⅛	Tali Ayer	21/3	—0/9
1⅛	Tandjong	35/0?	
3/10⅛	Un. Serdang	3/11	
3⅛	United Sua Betong	69 3*	+0/6
13 6	Vallambrosa	14/1⅛	+0/3

Ampat	4/3		Membakut	18/3	
Anglo-Sum.	37/6		N. Hummock	20/0	—0/1⅛
Bah Lias	35/0		P.F.K.(O'yl'n)	20 0	
Batu Tiga	35/7⅛	—1/7⅛	Patalling	20/4⅛	
B.N.B.B.Tra'	12/0		Pegoh	37/6	
Brieh	2 0*		Pilmoor	18/0	—0/9
Bukit Cloh	4/9		Rim Malacca	36/10⅛	+0/1⅛
Bukit Rajah	21/6	—1/0	Rub.S.Johore	21/10⅛	—0/1⅛
Castlefield	4 10⅛		Sapong	41 3	
Chersonese	3 0		Sapumalk'de.	22 6	
Ceely	4/4⅛		Selangor	6/3	
Eastern Trust	17/3		Serdang (Cn't)	29/7⅛	
Gen. Ceylon	44/4⅛	+0/1⅛	Scembar Ajoe	1/10	
Glenbervie	26/6	—1/0	Sumatra Con.	20 0	
Glenshiel	14/4⅛		Sungei Buaya	34/0	
Golden Hope	23 7⅛		Sungei Choh	21/0	
Java Amal.	28/0	—/10⅛	Sungei Kapar	4/3	
Kapar Para	42/6		Sungei Kr. Pf.	30 3	
Kepitigalla	1/7⅛		Taiping	1/9⅛	+0/1⅛
Kombok	2/6	—0/1	Tamiang	29/9	—0/9⅛
Langkat Sum	28/0		Tebrau	35 7⅛	
Ledbury	31/0		Telogoredjo	48 0*	
Malacca deb.	97⅛		Tempeh	1/11	
Manch'ter N.B.	25 0		Un. Tamiang	3/1⅛	+0/3⅛
			Yam Seng	2 3	

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum div.

TEAS.

Amal. Estates	45¾	+⅛	Doom Dooma	5⅛	
Anglo-Ceylon	53/7⅛		B.I. & Ceylon	72/1⅛	+0/6
Assam Co.	48/3	+0/3	E. Assam	85/1⅛	+0/1⅛
Assam Cons.	21/9⅛	+⅛	East.Produce	84/4⅛	+0/1⅛
Assam Front'r	7⅛		Empire	97/1⅛	—0/3
Assam Dooars	60	+1	Galaha Ceylon	42/10⅛	—0/4⅛
Aso.T.E.Cy'n.	43/3	—0/9	Imperial	61/3	—0/3
Attaree Khat	46/3		ImperialCeylon	41/3	
Balijan	54/10⅛	—0/6	Jelinga Valley	63/1⅛	—0/3
Bargang	62/3		Jhanzie	91/7⅛	
Borelli	5⅛		Jokai	94/0	—0/3
Borhella	30/1	—⅛	Jorehaut	98/4⅛	+0/1⅛
Bowlana	30/3		Longai Valley	51/9	+1/1⅛
Brahmapootra	35	—⅛	Lungla	50/3	—0 1⅛
British Assam	5⅛	+⅛	Lunuva	44/7⅛	
Brit.Indian	96/6		Lunuva new	4 ½pm	
Budla Beta	7⅛		Majuli	96/0	+0/1⅛
Cachar&Do'ars	98/6*	+2/6	Moabund	85/10⅛	+1/3
Ceylon Plant	5⅛	+⅛	Nedeem	87/6	+0/6
Ceylon Prop.	55/0		NewSylhet	8⅛	
Chargola	37/6*	—⅛	Pandan	21/6	+0 1⅛
Chubwa	5⅛*	+⅛	Peacock & Nil.	4/2⅛	
Chulsa	69/0		Poonmudi	4/4⅛	
Con.Tea & L.	79⅛	—⅛	Rosehaugh Cey	35/6	+0/3
Darjeeling	42/6	+0/1⅛	Seph'juri Bheel	15/0	—0/1⅛
Ditto Cons	72/10⅛		Singlo	89/3	
Dejoo	47/7⅛		Tea Corpo.	27/6	
Deundi	28/6		Travancore	5⅛	+⅛
Dimbula Valley	60/0	—0/10⅛	U. Planters, C.	71/6	+1/3
Dooars	87 6	+0/3	U. Assam	70/7⅛	+0/6
Doolooagram	68/3				

*Ex dividend.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—

Consols—57⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. 3½ p.c. War Loan—97⅛, 7⅛, ⅛, 7. 5 p.c. War Loan—101⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. 4 p.c. War Loan—101⅛, ⅛. Funding Loan—89⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Victory Bonds—93⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Conversion Loan 3½ p.c.—79⅛, ⅛. do. 4½ p.c.—97⅛, ⅛. India 7 p.c. Loan—106⅛, ⅛. India 4½ p.c.—87. Australia 6 p.c. Stock—101⅛, ⅛; do. 5 p.c. Stock—101⅛, ⅛. South Africa 6 p.c.—104⅛. Japan 6 p.c. Sterling—92⅛, ⅛. Aerated Bread—26/7⅛, 9d., 7/-, 6/6, 10½d., 6d. African and Eastern—35/9, 9d. Allied Newspapers Pref.—19/10½, 20/-, 1½d., 20/-, 3d. Amalgamated Cotton—10/10½, 9d., 7½d., 10½d. Amalgamated Press—46/-, 5/10½, 6d., 3d., 9d. Anglo-Dutch Rubber—45/-, 4/9, 7½d., 4½d., 6d. Armstrong—18/10½, 16/-, 15/10½. Assoc. Cement—17/6, 4½d., 3d., 1½d. Assoc. Newspapers Def.—6$\frac{1}{16}$, ⅛, ⅛. Baldwins Ord.—14/-, 3d., 1½d. Barclays Bank "A"—5⅛, ⅛. do. "B"—57/7½, 6d., 8/-, 7/10½, 7½d., 9d., 6d., 9d. Beecham Estates Pref.—21/9. Brazilian Traction—56⅛, 7⅛, ⅛. British-American Tobacco—110/3, 9/6, 9/-, 3d., 7½d., 10/-, 9/1½, 7½d., 10/-. British Oil and Cake—23/9, 3/4½, 3/7½, 3d. Brunner Mond—38/10½, 9/1½, 9/-, 4½d., 8/10½, 9d., 9/-. Bryant and May—51/9, 7½d. Buenos Ayres Great Southern—86⅛, 5⅛, ⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, 5⅛. Buenos Ayres Western Ord.—76⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, 6⅛, 6. Buenos Ayres Pacific—79⅛, 9⅛, ⅛, 9⅛. Callco Printers—38/-. Canadian Pacific—161⅛, 1⅛, 60⅛, 1⅛, 60⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *1⅛. Central Argentine Cons.—72⅛, ⅛, 1⅛, 2⅛, 1⅛, 2⅛. Coats—63/6, 4½d., 3/-, 10½d., 1½d., 7½d., 10½d. Cook (St. Paul's) Ord.—22/3, 6d. do. Part. Pref.—24/-, 3/9, 6d. Courtaulds—64/6, 10½d., 7½d., 3d., 4½d., 6d., 9d., 4½d., 5/-; do. Pref.—18/10½, 11½d., *6d., 9½d., 7½d., *6d., 9½d., 8½d., 19/-. Crosse and Blackwell—2/9, 7d. Crosses and Winkworth Pref.—12/1½, 11/10½, 9d., 10½d. Cunard Ord.—19/7½, 9d., 10½d., 9d.; do. Debs.—104⅛. Daily Mail Trust Debs.—108, *7, *8, ⅛, *8. Daily Mirror Ord.—6$\frac{1}{16}$, ⅛, ⅛. Dorman Long—13/6, 4½d., 1½d., 3d., 4½d. Dunlop Ord.—10/-, 9/9½, 10½d., 10/0½, 10/-; do. "C" Pref.—20/3. Dunlop Tire America Debs.—104⅛, ⅛, 4⅛. Edison Swan—6/6, 4½d., 3d., 6½d., 3½d., 5½d., 3½d. Elder-Dempster 6 p.c. Pref.—20/1½, 20/-, 1½d., 19/9. English Sewing Cotton—61/-, 60/3. Fine Cotton Spinners—55/3, 6d., 10½d., 6/-. Finlay (James)—76/10½, 7/-, 3d., 9d., 6/9, 6/-, 3d., 7/-, 5/6, 6/6. Forestal Land—23/-, 2/10½, 9d. General Electric Ord.—20/3, 4½d., 9d., 20/-, 6d.; do. Debs.—105⅛. German 3 p.c.—29/-, 6d., 9/3; do. 3½ p.c.—20/6, 7½d.; do. 4 p.c.—20/6, 9d., 20/-, 3d., 20/-; do. 7 p.c. External Loan—99⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; do. issued at 92 (£30 paid)—37⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Grand Central Rubber—22/4½, *9d. Grand Trunk Pacific 4 p.c. Debs.—72, 70⅛, 1⅛, 1, 3, 70⅛, ⅛, 69⅛, 69⅛, ⅛, 71⅛, 70⅛, 69⅛. Great Western Rail.—109⅛, 10⅛, 9⅛, ⅛, 10, 9⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 9⅛; do. 5 p.c. Pref.—103⅛, ⅛. Guinness Ord.—494⅛. Harland and Wolff Pref.—18/6, 4½d., 3d., 6d. Harrod's Ord.—43/-, 2/6, 9d., 3/6, 2/6, 9d. Highlands Rubber—38/9, 1½d. Hudson's Bay Ord.—5⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Hungarian 7½ p.c., 1924—94⅛, ⅛, 5, 4⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, 4⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Imperial Tobacco—85/7½, *3d., 1½d., 6d., 9d., 4½d.; do. Canada—28/6, 4½d., 3d., 7½d. Jute Industries—6/4½, 6½d., 3½d., 3d., 5½d., 4½d. Lever 7 p.c. Pref.—*21/6, 10½d., 9d., *6d., 7½d., 9½d., *3d., *4½d.; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—22/-, 1/9, 2/-, 1½d., 1/10½, 9½d., 2/1½; do. 7 p.c. Debs.—108⅛, 7. Linggi Rubber—*36/3. Lipton Ord.—29/3, 6d., 7½d., 3d. Lister Ord.—31/-, 3d., 4½d., 6d., 1½d., 6d. Lloyds Bank—61/1½, 1/-, 3d., 6d., *1/-, 1½d. London Asiatic Rubber—*3/10½. London, Midland and Scottish Ord.—101⅛, ⅛, 2, 1⅛, 2⅛, 1⅛, *100⅛, 1⅛, ⅛. London and North-Eastern Pref. Ord.—84⅛, *4, ⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *4; do. Def. Ord.—31⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 30⅛, 1⅛, 30⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 30⅛, *1. Lyons (J.) and Co. Ord.—90/-, *87/6; do. 7 p.c. Pref.—25/-, 4/10½, 4½d., 9d., 6d., 5/-. Malayalam Rubber—39/1½, 8/9, 9/3. Marconi Ord.—32/1½, 2/-; do. Debs.—*102; do. Marine—20/9, 10½d.; do. Canada—5/4½, 1½d., 3d., 4½d. Maypole Def.—*5/3⅛, 5⅛, 4½d., 6d. Metropolitan Rail.—82⅛, 1⅛, 2⅛, 1⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 2⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 2⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 3⅛. Metropolitan District—57⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Midland Bank—8⅛, ⅛, £8 18/-, 8⅛. Mond Nickel—44/9. Nat. Prov. Bank (£4)—11⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Nestle 8 p.c. Pref.—24/3, 4/-, 3/9. Niger 8 p.c. Pref.—15/9. Nobel Indus.—24/6, 7½d., 6d.; do. Pref.—21/-, 20/9, 9½d.; do. Debs.—*103⅛. Parent Ord.—*23/1½, 2/6; do. Def.—44/9, 5/-, 4/6. Peruvian Corp. Pref.—39⅛, 8⅛, ⅛, 9⅛, 8⅛, 9⅛. Platt Bros. Ord.—34/7½, 6d. P. and O. 5 p.c. Debs.—100⅛. Radio Corp. Com.—9⅛, 8⅛; do. Pref.—10⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 9⅛, 10⅛. Rubber Trust—32/6, *3d., 6½d., 9d., 4½d., 7½d. Selfridge Ord.—28/9; do. Pref.—24/3, 10½d., 5/3, 4/6, 4½d., 5/3, 4/6. Smithfield and Argentine—15/3, 14/9. Southern Rail. Pref. Ord.—85⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; do. Def. Ord.—44⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 4⅛, *4⅛, *4, 3⅛, 4⅛, 3⅛, ⅛, 4⅛; do. Ord. "A"—*41⅛, 2; do. Ord. "B"—9⅛, 10. Sudan Plantations—7⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Sunday Pictorial Ord.—81/3, *8/6, 1/10½, 3d., 6d., 2/6. Swedish Match "B"—9⅛, £9 12/3, 9⅛, 39-64, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Turkish Unified—18⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Underground Elec.—50/-, 59/4½, 8/9, 60/-, 57/6. Underground Income Bonds—100, 99⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Union Cold Storage 6 p.c. Pref.—21/-, 20/10½, 1/1½, 1/-, 3d. United Dairies—35/6, 3d., 4½d., 2/1½, 1½d., 6d., 4½d. United of Havana Rail.—84⅛, 5⅛, 4⅛, 5. United Serdang Rubber—3/9. United Tobacco—85/3, 4/9. Vickers—12/1½, 12/-, *11/10½, 12/3, 11/10½. Walker (Peter) "B" Pref.—20/6. Watney Combe Def.—213, 15, 13⅛, 14, 12, 12⅛, 14⅛, 13. Westminster Bank—18⅛, 18⅛, *18, ⅛, *18. Whiteley (Wm.)—77/9, 6/3, 7/-.

MINES.

Akim—13/6. Anglo-American Corp.—25/7½, 5/-. Brakpan—76/9, 5/3½, 7½d., 6/3. British South Africa (Chart.)—15/4½, 7½d., 3d., 6d., 6½d., 5½d., 10½d., 16/-, 15/11¼, 9d., 16/3, *15/-, 16/4½, 7½d., 4½d., 3¾d., 16/-, 2½d. Cam and Motor—51/3. Central Mining—*12, 11$\frac{13}{16}$, ⅛, ⅛, $\frac{15}{16}$, *12⅛. Chosen Syndicate—35/-, 11½d., 6/3, 6/-, 6/10½, 5/3½, 7½d., 5/1½. City Deep—69/-, 4½d., 9d., 70/-. Cons. Diamond Mines S.W. Africa—16/10½, 17/-, 17/3, 16/9, 6d. Consol. Gold Fields—15/3, 14/10½, 9d., 15/-, 14/9⅛, 7½d. Crown Mines—56/10½, 7/3, 2½d., 6d. Durban Rood. Deep—23/7½, 6d. East Rand Prop.—11/11¼, 9d., 7½d., *6d., 8½d. Geduld—65/-, 2/9, 3/9, 4/-. General Mining—14/-, 1½d. Government Areas—7⅛. Hureniak Salt—55/7½, 11½d., 6/10½, 3d., 7/6, 6/6⅛. Johannesburg Invest.—35/10½, *4/7½, 6/-, 5/3, 7½d., 6d., 6/6⅛. Kirkland Lake—7/-. Langlaagte—22/3, 1/9, 2/-, *20/6. Modderfontein "B" (5/- shares)—28/9, 6d., 10½d., 4½d. Modderfontein Deep (5/- shares)—46/9, 3d., 10½d., 5/7½, *7/3½. Mount Lyell—24/9, 6d., *3d. New Kleinfontein—4/7½. New Modderfontein—86/10½, 3d., 5/7½, 7/3. New State Areas—35/9, 6/3. Pengkalen—35/1½. Rand Mines—56/3, *7/3, 2½d. Randfontein Estates—20/1½, *19/3, 20/3, 1/-, 20/-, 19/10½. Robinson Deep "B"—39/-, 8/6, 10½d. Repp Tin—13/4½, 1½d., 4½d., 8½d., 2½d., 6d., 13/-, 3d., 3½d. Russo-Asiatic—5/-, 4/11¼, 5/0¼. Selukwe Gold—12/6, 4½d., 6½d., 3d., 9d., 7½d. South American Copper—10/6, 1½d., 3d., 6½d., 4½d., 7½d., 8½d., 9½d. Springs—55/-, 3½d., 4/4½, 9d., 2½d., 5/7½, 4/8½, 5/3, 4/-. Union Corporation—43/9, 4/-, 4/1½, 3/10½. Van Ryn—25/7½, 6/0¼, 2½d., 5/9, 6/3, 5/10½, 6/-. Van Ryn Deep—80/-, 79/4½, 8½d. Village Deep—11/6, *11/-, 8½d., *4½d., 7½d. West Springs—23/4½, 6d., 3/9, 10½. Zinc Corporation—33/6, 9d., 4/-, 3/3.

OILS.

Agwi Corp. "A"—9/3. Anglo-Ecuadorian—47/6, 6/6½, *6/3, 3d., 10½d., 7/-. Anglo-Persian Ord.—62/6; do. 8 p.c. Pref.—24/7½, 4½d., 9d., 3d. British Controlled Com.—13/7½, 9d., 9½d., 10½d.; do. Pref.—14/6⅛, 3d., 5½d., 4½d., 6d., 14/-, 13/10½, *14/11¼, 4½d., 2½d. Burmah—5⅛, *5, ⅛. Caltex—3/3, 1½d., 2½d., 4½d., 3/-, 2/10½. Kern River—14/3½, 4½d., 6d., 6½d. Lobitos—9⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Mexican Eagle Ord.—17/9, 7½d., 10½d., 6d., 18/-, 17/11¼; do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.—13/3, 6½d., 8d., 10½d., 4½d. Phoenix Oil—19/4½, 6d., 9d., 6½d., 7½d. Royal Dutch—30⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Shell—85/-, 4/4½, 5/3½, 3/9, *3/-, 5/7½, 4/8½, *2/6. Trinidad Leaseholds—35/-, 4/8½. V.O.C. Holdings—51/6½, 3d., 10½d., 2/6, 2½d., 3/9, 5½d.

TEAS.

Amalgamated Estates—45⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5, ⅛, ⅛. Anglo-Ceylon—53/-, 7½d., 4/-. Assam Company—48/7½, 3d., 6d., 8/-, 1½d., 8/4½. Assam Cons.—21/4½, 1½d., 3d., 6d. Assam Dooars—60. Assoc. Tea Estates, Ceylon—43/-, 6d. Balijan—54/9, 5/-. Borelli—5⅛. Borhella—30, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. Brahmapootra—35. British Assam—5$\frac{3}{16}$. British Indian—96/9, 3d. Budla Beta—7⅛, ⅛. Cachar and Dooars—(x.d.) 99/6, 7/6, 9/6. Ceylon Plant—5$\frac{11}{16}$, ⅛, $\frac{11}{16}$. Chargola—(x.d.) 37/6, 8/-. Chubwa—(x.d.) 5⅛ 10/6, 5⅛. Cons. Tea and Lands—80, 79⅛, ⅛, 80⅛, 79, ⅛, ⅛, 80⅛, 79⅛, ⅛. Darjeeling—42/6, 2/-, 3d. Deundi—28/6. Dimbula Valley—60/-. Dooars—(x.d.) *89/-, 7/-, 9d. Doom Dooma—5$\frac{11}{16}$, ⅛. East India and Ceylon—72/-, 6d., 1/9⅛, 2/-, 3½d., 3d. Eastern Assam—85/-, 3d. Eastern Produce—83/6, 5/-, 4/-, 9d. Empire—97/6, 7/-, 6/3, 7/6, 7/-. Galaha Ceylon—43/-, 2/9. Imperial—61/3, 1/-, 60/9. Jelinga Valley—63/1½. Jokai—(x.d.) 94/-. Jorehaut—98/-, 6d., 9d., 8/-, 3d. Longai Valley—52/-, 1/6. Lungla—50/3, 9d., 1/-. Majuli—96/6, 5/6. Moabund—86/-, 6d., 5/-, 6/-, 9d. Nedeem—87/6. Pandan—21/7½, 6d., 4½d. Peacock and Nilambe—4/2½. Poonmudi—4/4½. Rosehaugh Ceylon—35/6. Sephinjuri Bheel—15/9, 16/3. Travancore—5⅛. United Planters, Ceylon—71/6, 2/6, 1/-, 3d. Upper Assam—70/3⅛, 1/-.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

INSURANCE SHARES.

...BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Alliance Assurance New Shares, 15$\frac{11}{16}$; British General Insurance, 51/3, 2/-; Commercial Union, 22⅛, ⅛; ditto West of Scotland 5 p.c. Deb. Stock, 103⅛, ⅛; Consolidated Assurance, 40/3; ditto Ord. A, 2/4½, 3/-; Eagle Star, 6⅛, ⅛; Employers' Liability, 89/-; General Accident, 8⅛, ⅛, ⅛, $\frac{11}{16}$; Gresham Fire and Accident, 22/-, 1/3; Licences and General, 55/7½; London Associated Re-insurance, 6/11½; London Assurance, 13; Motor Union, 8⅛; North British and Mercantile, 20⅛; ditto 4 p.c. Pref. Stock, Non-Cum., 82; Northern Assurance, 16⅛, ⅛; ditto 5 per cent. Deb. Stock, 101⅛; Phœnix Assurance, 13⅛, £13 2/-; ditto Pelican Shares, 13⅛, £13 4/6; 13⅛, 12/3, 6/9; Prudential Assurance A Shares, 20⅛, ⅛, ⅛; ditto B Shares, 36/10½, 7/-; Royal Exchange Assurance, 636⅛, 7, 8, 9, 43; Royal Insurance, 30⅛, 1; Scottish Union and National, 10⅛; Sun Insurance, 21⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛; United British, 37/3; Western Alliance Re-insurance, 13/-, 1½d., 12/10½, 12/6, 9d.; World Aux. Insurance, 24/6, 19/10½, 5/1½; Associated Re-insurance (10/- paid), 10/9, 10/-, 10½d., 11½d., 6d.; Scottish Automobile and General Insurance (5/- paid), 30/-; Trade Indemnity (£7 10/- paid), 10.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Alliance, x.d. 14⅛; Caledonian, 13⅛; Commercial Union, 22⅛; Employers' Liability, 89/-; General Accident, 8⅛; London and Lancashire, 20; London Assurance, 13⅛; North British, 20⅛; Northern, 16$\frac{11}{16}$; Phœnix, 13⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 3/3; do. Pelican, 13$\frac{3}{16}$; do. Norwich Union, 367/-; Royal Exchange, 635; Royal Insurance, 30⅛.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS.

RAND MINES OUTPUT.

Production of the Transvaal Gold Mines for November amounted to 802,313 oz. fine, compared with 827,583 oz. for October, 1924. The decrease last month was due to the shorter working period, as there were five Sundays. The Labour figures, for the first time for several months, show a falling off, the number of natives employed on the gold mines at the end of November being 177,733, which is 221 less than for the preceding month.

LEVER BROTHERS 18,000 CO-PARTNERS.

Lever Brothers has 18,000 co-partners scattered all over the world, and the nominal value of the co-partnership certificates is about £2,000,000. This statement was made by Mr. W. Hulme Lever at the monthly luncheon in London of the Labour Co-partnership Association. Could a business, he asked, carry a co-partnership undertaking of this kind which represented an increasing liability year by year. It seemed to him that neither the Lever scheme nor any other could be permanently successful if it were given in a spirit of benevolent obscurity or if it were so received by the employés. There must be a true spirit of co-partnership engendered. Any scheme of profit-sharing must not represent an increased weight for the machinery of industry to carry, but rather an added amount of power with which the industry could accomplish its task. Co-partnership created an atmosphere in which labour, capital and management could all do their best with increased respect and for the joint benefit of all three.

BRITISH ROPES, LTD.

We are informed that British Ropes, Ltd., have entered into a contract with Messrs. Dorman, Long and Co., Ltd., for £400,000 in connection with the construction of the new bridge to cross Sydney Harbour, the building of which has been commenced.

CONSOLIDATED MAIN REEF.

Mr. Alfred Lewis asserts that the Consolidated Main Reef has lately been developing 8 dwt. to 9 dwt. ore over considerable lengths of reef spread throughout seven levels. He is of the opinion that this payable zone is trending eastward into the property of the Langlaagte Estates.

BRITISH TRADE RETURNS FOR NOVEMBER.

Though there were reductions both in imports and British exports during November, both sets of figures nearly approached the high standard of October, and showed substantial advances when compared with the previous November. The imports for last month, according to Board of Trade returns issued yesterday, amounted to £118,740,228, a decrease of £1,718,100 on October, but an increase of £17,143,237 on the previous November. Exports for November totalled £68,150,815, which is less by £435,822 than the figures for October, but an advance of £2,382,661 on November, 1923. There was a falling off in coal exports. Imports for the eleven months amounted to £1,148,330,554, an increase of £159,842,398 on the corresponding period last year, while British exports for the eleven months totalled £726,055,715, an increase of £22,843,248 on the similar period of 1923.

The transfer books of the Great Southern Railway Company 4 p.c. Deb. Stock and 7 p.c. Redeemable (1925) Deb. Stock will be closed from Tuesday, 23rd December, to Thursday, 15th January, both days inclusive.

THE BANK RETURN.

WEEK ENDED 10TH DECEMBER, 1924.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Notes Issued	£146,433,250	Govt. Debt	£11,015,100
		Other Securities	8,734,900
		Gold Coin and Bullion	126,683,250
	£146,433,250		£146,433,250

BANKING DEPARTMENT.

Proprietors' Capital	£14,553,000	Government Securities	£57,042,363
Rest	3,292,075	Other Securities	72,740,166
Public deposits	10,039,431	Notes	21,988,095
Other deposits	125,696,953	Gold & Silver Coin	1,820,756
7-day & other Bills	9,921		
	£153,591,380		£153,591,380

Compared with last week:	Increase.	Decrease.
	£	£
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other Bills)	649,110	—
Public Deposits	—	360,145
Other Deposits	—	7,572,748
Government Securities	—	7,110,000
Other Securities	—	111,497
Bullion	9,306	—
Rest	60,271	—
Reserve	—	637,825

Proportion of Reserve to Liabilities 17⅜% against 17% last week.

The following shows the position of the Bank of England now and during the previous two years:—

	1924.	1923.	1922.
Circulation (excluding 7-day and other Bills)	124,445,175	126,270,925	123,161,310
Public Deposits	10,039,431	11,597,769	10,112,664
Other Deposits	125,696,953	116,864,537	114,772,579
Govt. Securities	57,042,363	60,598,532	53,927,091
Other Securities	72,740,166	74,194,485	86,129,250
Reserve of Notes & Coin	23,808,851	21,498,935	23,735,137
Coin & Bullion	126,504,026	128,019,260	127,446,447
Reserve to Liabilities	17⅜%	18⅜%	18$\frac{1}{16}$%
Bank Rate	4%	4%	3%
Consols	57⅜	59⅜	58⅜
Bar Silver	33$\frac{7}{16}$d.	33¼d.	30⅞d
Clearinghouse Return	£650,262,000	£629,960,000	£592,239,000

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COMPANY MEETINGS.

PARENT TYRE COMPANY.

THE BONUS FROM THE RESERVE.

The ordinary general meeting of the Parent Tyre Company, Ltd., was held yesterday at the Hotel Cecil, Strand, London, W.C., Sir Arthur du Cros, Bart., Chairman of the company, presiding.

The Secretary (Mr. E. Morrissey) having read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors,

The Chairman said—Ladies and gentlemen, the balance sheet which we are considering to-day only carries our affairs up to the 30th April last, and is, therefore, somewhat out of date. Substantial alterations in the figures have since taken place, the nature of which I will indicate.

Generally, the period has been one of active and profitable trading, combined with some realisations and adjustments of our affairs. Our efforts have been mainly directed to three points—(1) The security and increase in value of our assets and the resultant increase of our reserve account; (2) the diminution of our liabilities; and (3) the extension of our business and profits. The recovery in the value of Dunlop shares has enabled us to increase our reserve fund from £417,000 to £700,000, after deducting the proposed payment of a bonus of 4s. per share on the Deferred Shares, to which I will refer later. Our liabilities have been reduced by approximately 50 per cent. of the figure appearing in the balance sheet, and our profits, both in revenue and in capital, are such that we are in a position to pay the dividends and bonus recommended in the resolutions before you to-day without encroaching upon the earnings, whether from investments or trading, of the 7½ months which have already elapsed of the current financial year. These last-named earnings are available, and will, I anticipate, provide a further substantial dividend on the Deferred Shares for the period to 30th April next, as well as permitting the payment of all fixed dividends on the Preference and Ordinary Shares to that date.

UNREALISED PROFITS.

In a finance business profits are naturally represented at times by unrealised assets, and not by cash, and in computing the profits for any period much depends upon the valuation placed on such assets. In this respect it is the policy of the Board to err, if anything, on the prudent side, and to value on such a basis that a legitimate internal reserve may be created against depreciations or fluctuations in value which might possibly occur before securities of this character are converted into cash. We have, in fact, already commenced to accumulate an internal reserve of this character.

The broad policy of the Board is to maintain this company as an investment and holding company in such a way that the whole of its issued capital of approximately £2,350,000 will be permanently and actually represented by investments in sound prior securities, the interest return from which will be sufficient to meet in full the fixed dividends upon our own Preference and Ordinary capital and to pay, in addition, a substantial dividend on the Deferred Shares. That is, in fact, the present position of the company. The finance of business upon which we are engaged, and which we might undertake in the future under our authorised powers, is being, and will be, provided by utilising surplus assets—that is, assets which we hold in excess of the amount represented by our issued capital, and also by utilising the credits which are at our command by reason of the sound intrinsic position of the company. Where new business is undertaken by the company involving fresh liabilities, new assets, in the judgment of the directors, of equivalent value are almost invariably acquired on the other side. The company is pursuing a cautious policy, and does not engage in business where this is not the case or where there is undue risk. In considering, therefore, the liabilities appearing on the balance sheet from time to time, this fact should be borne in mind, and the further fact that by a realisation of new securities the position in regard to liabilities may materially alter for the better in a short space of time.

THE OLD CONSERVATIVE POLICY.

I have endeavoured to make this position quite clear so as to reassure those shareholders, if any, who think we have abandoned, or intend to abandon, our old conservative policy. Such is not the case. The foundations of the company rest, and will continue to rest, mainly upon our basic investments. That will explain why the Board, in the selection of a new name, has chosen one which accurately indicates the twofold nature of the company's business. We are a trust company holding such investments, and we are also a finance company engaged in business the finance for which is provided by assets surplus to our basic investments. These investments are in the care of an investment committee, which has power to vary them from time to time for investments of a like nature should that course appear advisable.

JOINT INDUSTRIES, LTD.

As to the nature of our present investments, the directors consider it would be inadvisable in the interests of the shareholders to publish an exact list of what they are; but our interests in allied companies are large and are increasing, and they include our investment in the form of a prior security in Joint Industries, Ltd. In connection with this investment and all our other investments in allied companies, I have to state that they are all in the nature of prior securities, and that the amount of these prior securities is fully represented in the balance sheets of all the allied companies by tangible realisable assets, with, in fact, a substantial margin over and above the amounts of our investments. I mention this fact particularly, because this item of investments in allied companies is not always the strongest feature of a finance company's balance sheet. Whilst on this point of investments I would like to mention, in reply to communications received from some shareholders, who appear to think that this company is the holder of shares in the Imperial and Foreign Corporation, that this is not, and never has been, the case. Generally, we have accomplished a good deal in the direction of diversifying and readjusting our investments, and we did this with sufficient promptitude to benefit by the rise which has recently taken place in good securities.

BONUS FROM THE RESERVE ACCOUNT.

As to the reserve account, it will be remembered that our holding of Dunlop "C" Preference Shares stood in our books at 15s. 9d. per share, the price to which they were written down in August, 1921. At the time that was done I stated to the shareholders that this company might be in a position one day to write back this investment to its original figure. As a matter of fact, we have, since the 30th April, 1924, written the balance of this investment back from 15s. 9d. to approximately its original cost price to us, but no credit is taken in our profit and loss account in this respect, the amount being carried to the reserve account. By having recourse to that part of the reserve account which had been built up in the past out of capital profits, we are enabled to pay a bonus of 4s. per share on the Deferred Shares without having to deduct therefrom income tax, nor will the shareholders—so we are advised by our auditors and solicitors—have to pay income tax or super-tax in respect of such bonus. The proposed distribution of dividends and bonus at the present moment, I am glad to say, can be made without any strain upon the cash resources of the company.

In connection with these matters I wish to reiterate two points which have been previously mentioned—(1) that the profits earned by the company are sufficient to pay the dividends and bonus now recommended without resorting to the reserve fund, and (2) that the directors have the power, should they desire to exercise it, of making a bonus distribution to the Deferred shareholders at any time from the reserve account, although there is no present intention of exercising that power. The reserve account will be left as follows:—We start with the figure of £417,000 at 30th April last, and to that we add £425,000, the increase in value written back in respect of our investments for the time being in the Dunlop "C" Preference Shares, making the total amount of the reserve £842,000. From this total there is deducted the amount of the bonus recommended to be paid on the Deferred Shares, amounting to £144,131, leaving the reserve account at the net figure of approximately £700,000, which I mentioned previously, or almost the total of the Deferred Share capital.

INCREASED EXPENSES.

The expenses of the company shown in the profit and loss account for the period amount to £27,826. The Board does not hesitate to employ outside expert and legal advice in the consideration and negotiations of new business which may or may not materialise. That is necessary for the protection of your interests. Generally there is an all-round increase of charges consequent upon and commensurate with the increased responsibilities and business of the company.

It must be obvious that our extended business has involved, and will continue to involve, the company in operating expenses greater than if we were solely a holding company merely collecting dividends; but, on the other hand, we are confident, and have already demonstrated, that the earnings from this class of business will pay the whole of the expenses of the company, and, in addition, add considerably to the security of our Preference and Ordinary Shares and provide an increase of dividends on our Deferred Shares.

A HOLDING COMPANY AND A TRADING COMPANY.

That is all I need say upon the accounts, although I shall be glad to answer any questions put to me in regard to them. They mark the close of the second phase in the history of this company. We were originally a trading company pure and simple—the first phase; we then became an investment company, pure and simple—the second phase. Finally, for our own protection, and in consequence of an appalling failure in management on the part of those in charge of our Dunlop investments, we have now become both a holding company and a trading company. The results so far show that we were right to be up and doing for themselves, and not to wait upon the efforts of others. I find, indeed, that the market value of the Preference, Ordinary and Deferred Shares in this company, when we met for our last annual meeting in February, 1923, was about £1,230,000. To-day the value of the same shares is nearly three-quarters of a million greater. In the company's present rôle I have every hope that we will do well, and I am sure the shareholders will not mind my referring to a personal matter before closing this subject of the past. It may be remembered that when the Board of the Dunlop Company realised the large losses which it had made, the Preference shareholders, who were in no way responsible for the management, were asked to consent to a very large issue of Debentures, thus diminishing their security. On behalf of your company, which was so largely interested, it fell to me to fight the battle of the Preference shareholders, and I now know that I incurred a great amount of personal hostility by doing so. In a just cause, however, I do not complain of the fact or of the result, but I think it is only fair to myself to repeat that the losses which were incurred were all made after I had ceased to be Chairman and Managing Director of the company, and was no longer responsible for its policy. I subsequently felt compelled to take proceedings against three of the Dunlop companies—those of Japan, Canada, and England. The first two cases have been heard, with the result that the defences were literally blown to pieces. The third case, which is quite independent of the other two, although somewhat similar in character, has, despite my efforts, not yet been heard, owing to the action of the other side in applying to the Court for a postponement until next year. I regretted this delay, because I am determined, not merely in my personal capacity, but as Chairman of your important company, to have the issues decided at the earliest possible date. As the matter is *sub judice*, I cannot refer to my grievance against the Dunlop Company or its grievance against me, except to say that I have always maintained that the Dunlop Company would have continued with its former profits and have avoided its great losses if it had thought fit to operate my agreement. I am, and always have been, wishful to assist the Dunlop Company, and will never forget the fact that my father, assisted by myself and my brothers, founded it, and with it the whole pneumatic tyre industry.

The Chairman concluded by moving the adoption of the report and accounts, which was seconded by Mr. C. W. Hely and carried unanimously.

THE DIVIDENDS.

The resolutions confirming the payment of the dividends recommended by the directors, of 5 per cent. per annum on the Preference Shares for ten months ended 31st October last, 8 per cent. per annum on the Ordinary Shares for the 26 months ended 30th April last, and the dividend of 25 per cent. on the original Deferred capital in respect of the year ended 31st August, 1921, all less income tax, together with a bonus of 4s. per share, free of tax, on all the issued Deferred Shares of the company, were passed unanimously.

Mr. Charles Wisdom Hely and Mr. Harvey Du Cros were unanimously re-elected directors of the company, and Messrs. Maurice Jenks, Percival and Co. were re-elected audtors.

The extraordinary resolutions altering the title of the company to that of "The Parent Tyre Trust and Finance Co., Ltd.," and sanctioning the various alterations to the articles of association, were proposed by Sir Arthur Lowes Dickenson and unanimously passed. The latter resolutions enable the Board to be increased up to nine members and deal with the following matters:—Remuneration of the directors, the appointment of alternate directors, and the appointment of Sir Arthur Du Cros as a specially salaried Chairman of the company.

KIVUVU (UGANDA) RUBBER.

The annual general meeting of shareholders was held yesterday at the offices, 35 College Green, Dublin. The report and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st January, 1924, were unanimously adopted. The retiring director, Sir James C. Percy, and the retiring auditors, Messrs. Stokes Bros. and Pim, were re-elected.

UGANDA PLANTATIONS.

The annual general meeting of shareholders was held yesterday at the offices, 35 College Green, Dublin. The report and statement of accounts for the year ended 29th February, 1924, were unanimously adopted. The retiring director, Mr. C. E. Bateman Dashwood, and the retiring auditors, Messrs. Stokes Bros. and Pim, were re-elected.

THE MONEY MARKET

LOANS DEARER.

Owing to the repayments of ways and means advances to the bank, together with the calling in of funds for window-dressing purposes, money was slightly more usable yesterday. There was also a call of £1,668,000 on the Australian Loan. Advances over the night commanded 2¼ to 2½ p.c., with very little offering on easier terms. Weekly fixtures were continued at 2½ p.c. The tendency of discounts was rather harder, with fine three months' bills quoted 3⅛ p.c. and secondhand Treasuries 3$\frac{1}{16}$ p.c. The banks were not in the market yesterday. Sixty-day bills were also firmer at 3⅛ p.c., and four months' maturities at 3⅛ to 3$\frac{3}{16}$ p.c.

Bank Rate (Discount changed July 5, 1923), 4%

60 days (fine)	3⅛%			
3 months	3⅛	3⅛%	Trade	4 4⅛%
4 months	3⅛	3⅛%	"	4⅛ 5
6 months	3⅛	4 %	"	4⅛ 5
Loans to brokers day-to-day				2⅛ 2⅛%
" " for a week				2⅛%
Deposit allowance: Banks at call				2
Discount houses, at call				2
" at notice				2⅛%

Gold was unchanged at 88s. 8d. per oz. Silver remained at 33$\frac{7}{16}$d. per oz. for spot, and 33$\frac{7}{16}$d. for forward delivery.

In the Foreign Exchange market sterling resumed its rise, the New York rate rallying to 4.69⅜ to 4.70. French francs, however, were weak, being offered at 87.75 to 87.85, while Belgian francs moved in sympathy to 95.45 to 95.55. There was a further depreciation in Italian lire to 109.05 to 109.10, and Dutch florins cheapened to 11.61¼ to 11.61⅜. Among other Continentals, Spain further improved to 33.54 to 33.57, while Norway was easier at 30.88 to 30.93, Sweden and Denmark being steady. Switzerland showed little change at 24.23 to 24.25. South American currencies were mostly firmer. The following are closing quotations:—

—	December 11.		December 10.		Normal Rate
Alexandria	97⅛		97⅛		97½
Amsterdam	11.61¼	11.61⅜	11.60⅞	11.61	12.10
B. Ayres	45⅛	45⅛	44⅞	45	47.58
Barcelona	33.52	33.54	33.63	33.67	25.22
Berlin	19.70	19.75	19.70	19.75	20.40
Bombay	1/6	1/6$\frac{1}{16}$	1/6	1/6$\frac{1}{16}$	2/0
Brussels	95.45	95.55	95.15	95.20	25.22½
Calcutta	1/6	1/6$\frac{1}{16}$	1/6	1/6$\frac{1}{16}$	2/0
Christiania	30.88	30.93	30.75	30.85	18.15
Copenhagen	26.57	26.62	26.50	26.55	18.15
Czecho-Slov.	155	155⅛	155	155⅛	—
Finland	186⅛	186⅛	186⅛	187	25.22½
Greece	259	260	255	260	25.22½
Hong Kong	2/4⅛	2/4⅛	2/4⅛	2/4⅛	—
Hungary	340,000	350,000	340,000	350,000	—
Italy	109.05	109.10	108.50	108.60	25.22½
Japan	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	32½d.
Madrid	33.54	33.57	33.60	33.62	25.22½
Mexico	2/1⅛	sellers.	2/1⅛	sellers	24½d.
Montreal	4.71⅛	4.72⅛	4.70⅛	4.70⅛	4.86
Montevideo	50⅛	50⅛	49⅛	50⅛	51d.
New York	4.69⅛	4.70⅛	4.69⅛	4.70	4.86
Paris	87.50	88.35	87.00	87.25	25.22
Poland	24.30	24.50	24.30	24.40	25.22½
RiodeJan	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛	16d.
Roumania	9.15	9.20	8.95	9.15	—
Shanghai	3 3⅛	3.3⅛	3/3⅛	3.3⅛	—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2/4⅛
Stockholm	17.43	17.45	17.40	17.44	18.15
Switzerland	24.23	24.25	24.23	24.26	25.22
Valparaiso	41.00		40.80		13.33
Vienna	330,000	350,000	330,000	335,000	—
Yokohama	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	1/7⅛	4.5

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SOUTH AFRICA...

M.U. Dec. 1.	
1⅛	Anglo-Amer. Corp.
15/3	Anglo-French
3⅛	Brakpan
11⅛	Cent. Min'g (£8).
13/6	Central W'at(5/-)
$\frac{7}{16}$	City Deep
20/0	Con. Goldfields
13/6	Cons. Main Reef
15/9	Cons. Selec. 10/
2⅛	Crown Mines(10/)
24/6	Durban Deep
12/3	E. Rand Prop.
3⅛	Geduld
14/0	Gen. Mining
12/0	G. M. Investment
7⅛	Government Mines
13/0	H. E. Prop
36/0	Johan'burg I'vst.
5/0	Kleinfontein
17 3	Knight's
22/3	Langlaagte Estate
3⅛	Meyer & Charlton
4⅛	M'derfontein (10/)
28/1⅛	Modder B (5)
2⅛	Modder Deep (5/).
3⅛	Modder East
1⅛	New State Areas
6/9	Nigel
9/3	Nourse Mines
2⅛	Rand Mines (5/)
21/3	Randfontein
1⅛	Rob'son D A (1/)
38/3	Robinson Dp. B.
10/0	Rose Deep
11/6	Sabie (5/-)
⅛	S.A. Gold Trust
2⅛	Springs Mines
12/3	Sub Nigel
1⅛	Trans. and Del. B.
25/0	Trans.Con. L(10)
44/6	Union Corp(12/6)
25/0	Van Ryn
2⅛	Van Ryn Deep
23/0	Vereeniging
12/6	Village Deep
23/9	West Springs
3/9	Do. Options
12/0	Wit'ersrand Deep

RUSSIAN

7/0	Lena Gold
3/6	RussoAsiat.Cns.
4/0	Russian Mining
⅛	Siberian Props
⅛	Spassky

DIVIDENDS

MIDLAND GREAT ... IRELAND.—The rep... half-year ended 30th ... amounted to £61... £536,124, leaving ... propriation from the ... Irish Railways (Sett... amounts to £22,00... (net) to £8,042, ... £108,114. Adding ... (£17,279), there is ... ducting the intere... charges amounting ... £65,599. The divid... Preference stocks a... balance available fo... of £36,509. The d... cent., which was pa... the half-year ended ... £35,550, leaving a ... been placed to the ... Railway Co. The d... compliance with the ... scheme for amalgam... and Western Railwa... South Coast Railwa... pursuant to the pro... 1924 (which became ... and which scheme ... Tribunal appointed ... November, 1924. ... other matters, provi... amalgamation of the ... mentioned, a meeti... proprietors of the ... mediately before the ... shall be held for ... statements of acco... for the half-year e... for providing, with ... for payment of co... the Railways Act to ... who suffer loss by ...

CORK ELECTRI... ING.—Final dividen... Pref. shares for yea... less tax.

ASSAM CONSO... dend on the Ord. s... tax, in respect of the...

ARNISTON COA... per share, free of ... per share, free of ...

BROUGHTON C... per cent. actual on ...

BELL AND C... £30,073; brought i... p.c. actual, less tax... Ord.; to reserve, ... £5,000; forward, £...

BLUEMEL BROS... 5 per cent. bonus ... dividend of 2½ per ...

BURMAH VALL... 20 per cent. on bo... less tax.

C. B. KENT AN... 6½ per cent. per ann... ing Pref. Shares fo... 30, 1924.

DUCKWARI TE... shares of 10 per c... second interim in ... cent. having been p... interim was 10 per ...

EAST INDIAN ... plus profits' account ... annuity capital, and ... "D," in addition to ... per cent. for the fi... 1924, and 3/10 per ... Secretary of State ... tax.

HOME BREWER... for year at 7½ per ...

HOTEL YORK.— ... Ord. Shares, also bo...

MILNERS' SAFE... of 2½ per cent., les... shares.

MANN BYARS ... a profit of £31,363 ... in view of the pro... profit is not avail...

NORTHERN AM... dend of 8 per cent ... year, less tax, on ...

NEW ZEALAND ... AGENCY.—Final di... 5 per cent. Cum. ... per cent. on Ord. S...

RUDGE-WHITWO... regret that they ar... dend on the Pref. o... a credit balance on ... recommended to be ...

SCOTTISH-AMER... —Interim dividend ...

THOMAS SALT ... August 31 last sho... balance unappropr... £208,994. Directors ... on Def. Ord. Stock ... further payment of ... permanent mortgage... Redemption Fund, ... of association (£2,... ward £131,969.

THORNTON SMI... cent. per annum on ... year ending 30th S...

VICTORIA FALL... CO.—Following divi... dividend of 3 per ... 31st December, 192... per cent. in respect ... the year ending 31st ... Ord. shares, interim ... tax, in respect of t... 1924.

W. AND R. CO... free of tax.

DUBLIN S...

Wind and Weathe... and overcast.

Foreign Arrival—... (748 tons registe... Valencia, with a ... Shelter Sheds, North... to Belfast with part...

Coastwise Arrivals... more, from Holyhea... borne, from London... Bristol, with goods;... goods; s.s. Tiger, f... St. Barchan, from Ir... Ashfield, from Presto... Ayr, with coals; s.s... from Garston, wit... Holyhead, light; s.s... light.

Foreign Departu... Belfast (830 tons r... Belfast, with part ... Landskrona, Sweden... Larsson, for Penarth...

Coastwise Departu... Slieve Gallion, for ... Yarrow, for Silloth, ... for London, with go... with goods; s.s. Tige... Lady Longford, s.s. ... Birkenhead, with liv... Brussels, for Preston... s.s. Lady Wicklow, f... and goods; s.s. Snow... stock; s.s. Cairngorm... light; s.s. Ben Jee... Gem, for Newport, ... neth, for Ayr, light... Aire, light; s.s. Lon... s.s. Isabeletta, for T... for Partington, light.

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LONDON MINING MARKET DROOPING.

CHANGES UNIMPORTANT.

The Mining market presented a hesitating appearance in the early hours, and, generally speaking, the trend of values was downward. The figures of the Rand output for November and the labour statistics made their appearance early in the day, but they exercised no influence on the course of prices. Everything considered, the return must be regarded as satisfactory, but the drop in the price of gold was seized upon as an excuse for the apathy of the market. Changes on the day were very few and unimportant. Union Corporation stood out well and registered an advance, and there was some bidding for East Rands on renewed talk of a possible early dividend declaration, which, however, was not very seriously regarded. In the Rhodesian department, Chartered once more occupied the leading position. Influential buying was in progress, and the movement rapidly spread, so that by the end of the day a rise of 1s. per share had been established. The closing price was 16s. 6d., and in the late street dealings 16s. 4½d. was bid. In the early hours of the day business had been done at 15s. 3d. Globes and Selukwe strengthened, but Tanks and Zams were a trifle lower, and "B.C.A." and Bwana M'Kubwa receded, and the last-named, in the absence of an expected announcement regarding the participation of further important interests in the undertaking, as hinted at by the chairman at the recent meeting. Apart from Consolidated Diamonds, which were offered on the gradual waning of hopes regarding an early dividend, Diamonds were better inclined. The price of tin was little altered at £256 7s. 6d. per ton, and the share market could boast of no activity. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Dec. 1.		
1⅛	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1⅛-1⅛
15/3	Anglo-French	14/9-15/3
3⅛	Brakpan	3⅛-3⅛
11¾	Cent. Min'g (£8)	11¾-11⅞
13/6	Central W'st(5/)	13/3-13/9
3⅛	City Deep	3⅛-3⅛
20/0	Con. Goldfields	1-1⅛
15/6	Cons. Main Reef	14/9-15/3
15/9	Cons. Selec. 10/	15/6-15/9
2⅝	Crown Mines(10/)	2⅝-2⅝
24/6	Durban Deep	23/6-24/0
12/3	E. Rand Prop.	12/0-12/3+0/3
3⅝	Geduld	3⅛-3⅝
14/0	Gen. Mining	14/0-14/6
12/0	G. M. Investment	11/9-12/3
7⅛	Government Mines	7⅝-7⅞
13/0	H. E. Prop	12/9-13/3
36/0	Johan'burg I'vst	35/9-36/3
5/0	Kleinfontein	4/9-5/3
17/3	Knight's	17/6-18/0—0/3
22/3	Langlaagte Estate	21/9-22/3
3⅝	Meyer & Charlton	3⅛-3⅛
4⅜	M'derfontein (10/)	4⅛-4⅛
[illegible]	Modder B (5/)	1⅛-1⅛
1⅛	Modder Deep (5/)	1⅛-1⅛
⅞	Modder East	[illegible]
1⅛	New State Areas	1⅛-1⅛
6/0	Nigel	7/0-8/0
9/3	Nourse Mines	9/0-9/6
2⅛	Rand Mines (5/)	2⅛-2⅛
21/3	Randfontein	20/0-20/6—0/3
1¼	Rob'son D A (1/)	1⅛-1⅛
38/3	Robinson Dp. B	38/6-39/0—0/3
13/0	Rose Deep	12/9-13/3
11/6	Sabie (5/)	11/0-11/3—0/6
¾	S.A. Gold Trust	[illegible]
2⅛	Springs Mines	2⅛-2⅛
12/3	Sub Nigel	11/6-12/0—0/3
2⅛	Trans. and Del. B.	2⅛-3⅛
25/0	Trans.Con.L(10/)	26/3-26/9
44/6	Union Corp(12/6)	44/0-44/6+0/3
25/0	Van Ryn	25/9-26/3
3⅛	Van Ryn Deep	3⅛-3⅛
23/0	Vereeniging	23/6-24/0
12/6	Village Deep	11/6-12/0
23/9	West Springs	23/7½-/10½
3/9	Do. Options	3/6-4/0
18/0	Wit'ersrand Deep	17/0-18/0

RUSSIAN.

7/0	Lena Gold	6/6-7/6
5/0	RussoAsiat.Cns.	4/10½-5/1½
4/0	Russian Mining	3/6-4/6
¾	Siberian Props	5/0-6/0
⅝	Spassky	⅝-⅝

RHODESIAN.

M.U. Dec. 1.		
6/3	Bechuanaland Ex.	6/0-6/6
2½	Cam and Motor	2⅛-2⅝
14/0	Chart'd B.S.A.	16/4½-/7½+/1½
[illegible]	Falcon	2/6-3/0
21/6	Gaika Gold	21/9-22/3
12/3	Globe & Phoenix(5/)	13/3-13/9+0/6
6/4½	Gold F. Rho. (10/)	6/4½-6/7½—/1½
1	Lonely Reef	1⅛-1⅛
2⅛	Rezende	[illegible]
4/6	R. Broken Hill (5/)	3/10½-4/1½
13/3	Selukwe (2/6)	12/6-13/0+0/3
1⅛	Shamva Mines	1⅛-1⅛
4⅛	Sherwood Starr	3⅛-4⅛
20/10½	Tanganyika	20/0-20/6—0/3
40/0	Vic. Falls Ord	1⅛-2⅛
32/6	do. Pref.	31/6-32/6
[illegible]	Wankie Col. 10/.	17/6-18/6
5/0	Willoughby	4/9-5/3
19/10½	Zambesia Expl.	20/3-20/6—/1½

DIAMOND.

⅝	Angola Diamond	[illegible]
[illegible]	Con. D. S. W. A.	16/9-17/3—0/6
12⅛	De Beers Def.	12⅛-12⅛+⅛
11⅝	do. Pref.	11⅛-11⅛
3	Jagersfontein	3⅛-3⅛+⅛
7/0	N. Val. River	[illegible]
7⅛	Premier Pf. 5/-	7⅛-7⅛
—	West African	14/3-14/9

AUSTRALIAN.

20/6	Amal. Zinc	1-1⅛
13/3	Associated	13/0-13/6—0/3
24/0	Broken Hill Prop	23/6-27/0
2	B. Hill Sth. (New	3⅛-3⅛+⅛
1⅛	Electro Zinc Pref	1⅛-1⅛
18/9	Lake View (10/-)	18/3-20/3—0/3
⅞	North Broken Hill	5⅛-5⅛
[illegible]	Sulphide Ord.	13/0-14/0—0/3
12/0	South Kalgurli	12/0-14/0
20/6	Zinc Ord. (10/-)	33/6-34/6
3⅛	do. Pref.	3⅛-3⅛

WEST AFRICAN.

12/0	Ashanti Gold (4/)	11/6-12/0
[illegible]	Fanti Cons. (8/).	[illegible]
15/6	Gold Coast Amal.	15/6-16/0+0/3
4/1½	Taquah & Abosso	3/9-4/3

TIN.

M.U. Dec. 1.		
15/9	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	15/3-15/9
3⅛	Aramayo Mines	3⅛-3⅛
4/3	Bauchi Ord. (10/)	4/3-4/9
8/0	do. Pref (10/)	8/6-9/0
9/3	Bisichi	9/6-10/0+0/3
2⅛	Gopeng	2⅛-2⅛
21/0	Ipoh	22/9-23/9—0/3
17/9	Kaduna Synd (5/)	17/6-18/6
2⅛	Kamunting	2⅛-2⅛
2	Kramat Pulai	1⅛-2⅛
3⅛	Malayan T.D.	3-3⅛
15/6	Mongu	15/3-15/9
22/0	Naraguta	21/9-22/9
11/6	Pahang (5/-)	10/6-11/0
1⅛	Rambutan	1⅛-1⅛
1⅛	Renong	1⅛-1⅛
14/1½	Ropp (4/ Shs)	12/0-12/6
4⅛	Siamese	4⅛-4⅛—⅛
7/9	South Bukeru	7/3-8/3
30/3	Tavoy	31/3-32/0+1/3
2⅛	Tronoh	2⅛-2⅛

COPPER.

⅞	Arizona (5/-)	⅞-⅞*
[illegible]	Mount Elliott(£5)	⅞-⅞
9/3	Mount Morgan	8/9-9/9
24/0	Mount Lyell	24/3-25/3
1⅛	Namaqua	1⅛-1⅛
38⅛	Rio Tinto (£5)	38⅛-38⅛
11/0	S. American (2/)	10/0-11/0+0/6

MISCELLANEOUS.

⅝	Bingo Pref.	⅛-⅝
14/0	Brit. Platinum	13/9-14/3+0/3
13/3	Burma Corp.	13/0-13/6
7/1½	Champion Reef	6/9-7/3—0/3
1⅛	Chosen Synd "A"	1⅛-1⅛
—	Colombian Props	19/6-20/6
3/10½	Corderoy Synd.	3/6-4/0
2⅛	Huronian Belt	2⅛-2⅛—⅛
[illegible]	Kesley Silver	8/6-9/0—0/3
[illegible]	Kirkland Lake	7/1½-7/7½
4⅞	Mexico Mines	4⅝-4⅞—⅛
3⅛	Minerals Separ't'n	4-4⅛
11/6	Min. Crp. of Can.	10/9-11/3
11/0	Mysore (10/-)	11/3-12/3
6/3	Nat. Min. (f.p.)	6/0-6/6
7/9	Nundydroog	7/3-8/3
12/1½	Ooregum	12/9-13/9
9/3	Oroville	8/6-9/3
[illegible]	Porcupine Gold	[illegible]
19/0	St. John Del Rey	18/9-19/9
23/9	San Francisco(10/)	24/0-24/6
9/9	Santa Gertrudis	9/6-10/0
—	S. Amer. G. Areas	⅞-1
[illegible]	Vipond	5/3-5/6
1⅛	Waihi Gold	1⅛-1⅛

* Ex. Dividend. † Ex. Rights.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY OF IRELAND.—The report of the directors for the half-year ended 30th June states that the receipts amounted to £614,196, and expenditure to £536,124, leaving a balance of £78,072; appropriation from the compensation received under Irish Railways (Settlement of Claims) Act, 1921, amounts to £22,000, and miscellaneous receipts (net) to £8,042, making the total net income £108,114. Adding the balance from last account (£17,279), there is a total of £126,393, and deducting the interest, rentals and other fixed charges amounting to £59,794, there remains £65,599. The dividends on the Guaranteed and Preference stocks absorbed £29,090, leaving a balance available for dividend on Ordinary stock of £36,509. The dividend at the rate of 3 per cent., which was paid on the Ordinary stock for the half-year ended 30th June, 1924, absorbed £35,550, leaving a balance of £959, which has been placed to the credit of the Great Southern Railway Co. The directors submit this report in compliance with the provisions of the preliminary scheme for amalgamation of the Great Southern and Western Railway and the Cork, Bandon and South Coast Railway with this company, made pursuant to the provisions of the Railways Acts, 1924 (which became law on 23rd August, 1924), and which scheme was approved of by the Railway Tribunal appointed by the said Act on the 12th November, 1924. By this scheme it is, amongst other matters, provided that, notwithstanding the amalgamation of this company with the others mentioned, a meeting of the persons who were proprietors of the stocks of this company immediately before the date of approval of the scheme shall be held for the purpose of receiving the statements of accounts and declaring dividends for the half-year ending 30th June, 1924, and for providing, with the consent of such proprietors, for payment of compensation in accordance with the Railways Act to the directors of the company who suffer loss by abolition of office.

CORK ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND LIGHTING.—Final dividend on the 5 per cent. Cumulative Pref. shares for year ending December 31, 1924, less tax.

ASSAM CONSOLIDATED TEA.—Interim dividend on the Ord. shares of 4 per cent. actual, less tax, in respect of the year to 31st December, 1924.

ARNISTON COAL.—Final dividend at rate of 2/- per share, free of tax, on Ord. shares, making 4/- per share, free of tax, for year.

BROUGHTON COPPER.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent. actual on Ord.

BELL AND CO., BREWERS.—Net profit, £50,073; brought in £5,595. Final dividend of 10 p.c. actual, less tax, making 12½ p.c. for year on Ord.: to reserve, £6,000; to repairs' reserve, £3,000; forward, £11,295.

BLUEMEL BROS.—Dividend of 10 per cent. plus 5 per cent. bonus; this being less the interim dividend of 2½ per cent. already paid.

BURMAH VALLEY TEA.—Interim dividend of 20 per cent. on both the Pref. and Ord. Shares, less tax.

C. B. KENT AND SONS.—Dividend at rate of 6½ per cent. per annum upon Cumulative Participating Pref. Shares for six months ended September 30, 1924.

DUCKWARI TEA.—Interim dividend on Ord. shares of 10 per cent. actual, less tax. This is second interim in respect of current year, 5 per cent. having been paid in May last. Last year's interim was 10 per cent.

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.—Dividend from surplus profits' account of 7/10 per cent on the Def. annuity capital, and the Def. annuity capital, Class "D," in addition to guaranteed interest of £1 13/4 per cent. for the five months ending December 31, 1924, and 3/10 per cent. compensation paid by the Secretary of State for India on account of income tax.

HOME BREWERY CO.—Dividend on Ord. shares for year at 7½ per cent. per annum.

HOTEL YORK.—Dividend of 10 per cent. on Ord. Shares, also bonus of 2½ per cent.

MILNERS' SAFE CO.—Interim dividend at rate of 2½ per cent., less tax. shares.

MANN BYARS AND CO.—The directors report a profit of £31,363 for the year to June 15, but in view of the proposed reduction of capital this profit is not available for distribution.

NORTHERN AMERICAN TRUST.—Final dividend of 8 per cent., the rate of 16 per cent. for year, less tax, on £400,000 Ord. stock.

NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY.—Final dividend of 2½ per cent. on the 5 per cent. Cum. Pref. Stock, also dividend of 6 per cent. on Ord. Stock.

RUDGE-WHITWORTH, LTD.—The directors regret that they are unable to recommend a dividend on the Pref. or on the Ord. Shares. There is a credit balance on profit and loss account, which is recommended to be carried forward, of £1,315.

SCOTTISH-AMERICAN MORTGAGE COMPANY.—Interim dividend of 5 per cent., less tax, on Ord.

THOMAS SALT AND CO.—Accounts for year to August 31 last show that profits (including the balance unappropriated last year) amounted to £208,994. Directors recommend one year's dividend on Def. Ord. Stock at 7 per cent. per annum, and further payment of interest and sinking fund on a permanent mortgage, and allocation to Deb. Stock Redemption Fund, in accordance with the articles of association (£2,569), leaving to be carried forward £131,969.

THORNTON SMITH.—Dividend at rate of 6 per cent. per annum on the Pref. shares for the half-year ending 30th September last.

VICTORIA FALLS AND TRANSVAAL POWER CO.—Following dividends declared:—Pref. shares, dividend of 3 per cent. for the half-year ending 31st December, 1924, and a further dividend of 3 per cent. in respect of the participating rights for the year ending 31st December, 1924; both less tax. Ord. shares, interim dividend of 3 per cent., less tax, in respect of the year ending 31st December, 1924.

W. AND R. COOK.—Dividend of 7½ per cent., free of tax.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather—Wind light and variable; dull and overcast.

Foreign Arrival—S.s. Iturri Urdina, of Bilbao (748 tons register), Captain Echwarri, from Valencia, with a cargo of fruit, discharged at Shelter Sheds, North Wall Extension, and proceeded to Belfast with part cargo.

Coastwise Arrivals—S.s. Slieve Donard, s.s. Slievemore, from Holyhead, with goods; s.s. Lady Wimborne, from London, with goods; s.s. Cato, from Bristol, with goods; s.s. Olive, from Heysham, with goods; s.s. Tiger, from Glasgow, with goods; s.s. St. Barchan, from Irvine, with coals; s.s. Puffin, s.s. Ashfield, from Preston, with coals; s.s. Topaz, from Ayr, with coals; s.s. J. and J. Monks, s.s. Mourne, from Garston, with coals; s.s. Snowdon, from Holyhead, light; s.s. Lady Brussels, from Liverpool, light.

Foreign Departures—S.s. Wicklow Head, of Belfast (830 tons register), Captain Bingham, for Belfast, with part cargo (general); s.s. Cecil, of Landskrona, Sweden (923 tons register), Captain Larsson, for Penarth, light.

Coastwise Departures—S.s. Slieve Donard, s.s. Slieve Gallion, for Holyhead, with goods; s.s. Yarrow, for Silloth, with goods; s.s. Lady Emerald, for London, with goods; s.s. Olive, for Heysham, with goods; s.s. Tiger, for Glasgow, with goods; s.s. Lady Longford, s.s. Lady Kildare, for Liverpool and Birkenhead, with live stock and goods; s.s. Lady Brussels, for Preston, with live stock and goods; s.s. Lady Wicklow, for Manchester, with live stock and goods; s.s. Snowdon, for Holyhead, with live stock; s.s. Cairngorm, s.s. Sapphire, for Duddon, light; s.s. Ben Jee, for Ellesmereport, light; s.s. Gem, for Newport, light; s.s. Sard, s.s. St. Kenneth, for Ayr, light; s.s. Talacre, for Point of Aire, light; s.s. Lonsdale, for Whitehaven, light; s.s. Isabeletta, for Trevor, light; s.s. Glenageary, for Partington, light.

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LOSS OF A BELFAST STEAMER.

FINDING OF COURT OF INQUIRY.

Judgement was given yesterday in the Board of Trade inquiry in Belfast into the loss of the s.s. Moyallon, while on a voyage to a Welsh port. The Court held that the loss of the vessel was due to the inexperience of the second engineer.

In delivering judgment, Mr. James Roche, R.M., said that the Court found that the loss of the steamer Moyallon was primarily due to the vessel, between the hours of six and eight on the morning of the 15th September, 1924, making water through leakage.

The Court considered that the primary act of the series of events which resulted in the foundering of the Moyallon was the failure of the inexperienced second engineer (Mr. David S. Ryding) to open the shutter of the ash ejector discharge before restarting the apparatus. The Court did not attach any blame to Mr. Ryding in connection with his omission to open the shutter valve, considering his failure was due to lack of experience.

The Court also considered that the master, chief officer and chief engineer did all that was possible in the circumstances to overcome the leakage and to save the vessel, and that they were not guilty of any wrongful act or default.

NORTHERN MOTOR CAR OWNERS.

NEW ORGANISATION FORMED.

A new organisation has been formed in Belfast to safeguard the interests of motor car owners generally and to promote sporting events for car owners.

A provisional committee was appointed for the purpose of establishing in Ulster a branch of the Royal Automobile Club, and the committee was authorised to take such steps as may be necessary to achieve that object.

The following were appointed members of the Provisional Committee:—Right Hon. Thomas Moles, M.P.; Major D. G. Shillington, M.P.; Messrs. John S. Garrett, Harry Ferguson, R. S. H. Noble, C. A. R. Shillington, D. A. Boyd, J. F. Harris, Robert Condell, George Bowman, W. J. Chambers, W. Simms, T. Magee, William Noble, Thomas Wilson, J. Coulter, J. M'Kee, J. W. Shaw, A. Davis, P. C. Walsh, Thomas Nelson, and R. H. Wright.

Mr. Richmond Noble was selected as chairman of the committee, and Mr. Harry Ferguson as vice-chairman and convener.

THE ROYAL VICTORIA EYE AND EAR HOSPITAL.

The monthly meeting of the Council of the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital was held at the hospital on Wednesday, the 10th inst., the President (Mr. John B. Story) in the chair. Also present:—Right Hon. Mr. Justice C. A. O'Connor, Sir George Roche, Major-General Dallas Edge, Messrs. J. Andrew, F. V. Gordon (hon. treasurer), H. C. Mooney, Hewitt R. Poole, L. Werner, and the hon. secretary, Major Arthur Whewell.

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, sympathetic reference was made to the death of the Right Hon. William D. Andrews, and the following resolution was passed in silence:—

"The Council of the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital have heard with the deepest regret of the death of their late colleague, the Right Hon. William D. Andrews, who was for upwards of 27 years a valued member of Council, and they beg to express to his relatives their deep sympathy at the loss they have sustained."

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

The report of the Finance Committee was read and approved, and cheques to the amount of £943 4s. 10d., in discharge of bills, recommended by the Committee for payment, were signed.

On the recommendation of the Medical Board, Dr. Alan Mooney was appointed house surgeon from the 1st January, 1925.

The numbers treated at the hospital during the past month were as follows:—Intern—Admitted 120; discharged 114; average number of beds occupied daily 86.5. The total number of visits paid by extern patients during the month was 2,678, giving an average of 107.12 attended to daily throughout the month.

The following contributions were received and are gratefully acknowledged:—Miss Bennett, 10s.; Messrs. Walter Brown, £1 1s.; Messrs. Baker Wardell, £1; Messrs. Gilbey, £1 1s.; Mrs. Fawcett, 10s. 6d.; Lady Mayo, £2 2s.; Dublin and Wicklow Manure Co., £2 2s.; Sir J. Robert O'Connell, per Mr. F. V. Gordon, £1 1s.; Captain Carden, £1; Miss L. Roberts, £1; Miss L. Tottenham, £2; the Arnott Bennett Fund, £5; Joe Pratt, Esq., £10; James Allan, Esq., 10s.; Right Hon. W. D. Andrews, £3 3s.; Messrs. Anderson, Stanford and Ridgeway, £1 1s.; Mrs. Bannon, £1; Lady Ardilaun, £5; the Earl of Belmore, £1 1s.; Mrs. G. N. Jacob, 10s.; Messrs. Brown Thomas and Co., £1 1s.; F. B. Jameson, Esq., £5; Oliver Fry, Esq., J.P., £1; E. C. Jameson, Esq., £1 1s.; the Merchant Warehousing Co., £1 1s.; Mr. and Mrs. Denny, £1; F. C. Earl Bland, Esq., £1; Messrs. Millar and Beatty, £1; Mrs. Deverell, £1 1s.; Mrs. Knox, £1; the Dean of Clogher, £2 2s.; Messrs. Eason, £1 1s.; Mrs. Galley, £2 2s.; the Hon. Mrs. Gerrard, £1 1s.; Mrs. Fridberg, £1 1s.; Messrs. J. and L. F. Goodbody, £3; Mrs. Fortescue, £1 1s.; Major Gerrard, £1 1s.; Messrs. Clery, £3 3s.; N. S. Davis, Esq., £5; Dr. Joseph Beatty, £1 1s.; Messrs. Maguire and Gatchell, £1; Ormond Printing Co., £1; Miss M. Scott, 10s.; Messrs. J. Parkes, £2 2s.; Messrs. Pigot and Co., 10s.; J. Falconer, Esq., £1 1s.; Gage Green, Esq., £1; Lady Maurice Fitzgerald, £1; Messrs. John Jameson and Co., £3; Messrs. Arnott and Co., £2; the Distillers Co., Dundalk, £1 1s.; Mrs. Gibbings, £1; the Kildare Street Club, £2; J. E. Goodbody, Esq., £3; Messrs. Boland, £1 1s.; Major Cusack, £1 1s.; Messrs. Hugh Moore and Alexander, £1 1s.; J. S. Atkinson, Esq., £2 12s.; Miss Selina Ormsby, £1 1s.; the Earl of Pembroke, £3; Miss Dunford, £3 12s. 6d.; A.I.A.E., £2; Major Healy, £1 1s.; Messrs. Harvey and Co., £1; Mrs. Plisworth, £1; Messrs. A. Millar, £1; Hewitt R. Poole, Esq., £3 3s.; Miss J. Smith, 10s.; Miss Moore, 5s.; Messrs. Pollock and Co., £3 3s.; Classon Porter, Esq., £1 1s.; Miss Tallow, 10s.; James Harris, Esq., £1 1s.; Mr. Joseph Madden, 10s. 6d.

Also per the Matron:—Mrs. Stephenson, glasses; Miss Franks, plants; Mrs. Crawford, magazines; Miss Ramsey, glasses; Mrs. Andrews, knitted eye bandages; Miss L. Purser, knitted bandages; Mrs. L. J. Curtin, 1 stone lump sugar; Nurse Clarke, knitted bandages; Miss Burton, flowers; *Irish Times*, Ltd., papers.

A charming series of cabinets—the "Tudor," the "Louis," and the "Golden"—are offered by the State Express Company, each to contain 150 hand-made cigarettes.

PRODUCE AND FOOD MARKETS.

CATTLE.

DUBLIN METROPOLITAN CATTLE, North Circular road, Thursday.—This day's register of entries shows a decrease of 748 head of cattle, and an increase of just 200 head of sheep. There was a good selling trade for anything of well-meated character, prime stall-fed cattle getting a preference over grass-fed. Everything considered, too, the show of quality was better than was anticipated, notwithstanding yesterday's Christmas Sale of Fat Stock, at which a good proportion of best quality cattle were secured by exporters; still, to-day's market was pervaded by a good healthy selling tone, and shipping activities were fairly satisfactory from start to finish. We may here remark that yesterday's show of fat stock was considered one of the most successful ever held here, and Mr. Joseph O'Connor (Bergin and O'Connor) is to be congratulated on securing the Governor-General's Cup for his quartette of black polled bullocks. In the ovine section of market business was also good for prime, well-meated sheep, with a fractional increase in values for this class, but rough ewes and thin sheep were practically unsaleable.

	On sale this week as compared with last.		Corresponding weeks of 1923.	1922.
Cattle	5,427	decrease 748	7,115	7,003
Sheep	7,755	increase 207	7,869	6,486
Veal calves	6	decrease 6	9	16

Finished and well-meated cattle were in keen request, and prices for tip-top specimens show an improvement over last Thursday. Shipping buyers were early purchasers of best lots of stall-fed beasts, and paid from 52s. to 55s. and 56s. per cwt. for same, and in one exceptional case up to 58s. For prime out-fed cattle the general general run of prices was 48s. to 49s. and 50s., run of prices was 48s. to 49s. and 50s., but 51s., 52s. and even 53s. were more frequently spoken of to-day than previously. Useful commercial cattle again realised 42s. to 45s. and 46s. per cwt., and middling sorts, say, around 40s. per cwt.; anything under this grade is almost unquotable. Nice young cows (beeves) realised much in the same zone of prices as last day, viz.:—40s., 42s., 43s. and 44s. per cwt., with an exceptionally nice specimen fetching 45s. per cwt. Very few bulls in evidence.

There was a good trade for best classes of wethers and hoggets, and business in lambs shows an improvement over last Thursday, but half-meated sheep were a drug to cash, and scarcely drew a bid. Choice quality mutton averaged 1s. 0½d. to 1s. 2½d., and in exceptional cases, say, of fancy Cheviot descriptions, up to 1s. 3d. may be recorded. Medium qualities of mutton, 10d. to 1s. per lb., and coarser qualities downward in proportion. Best type of hogget lambs ran at 65s. to 72s. 6d., with something of outstanding merit bringing up to 77s. 6d. The ordinary run of prices, however, would be, say, from 55s. to 70s. apiece, and small descriptions from 45s. to 52s. 6d. each. Veal calves only numbered half a dozen, and sold around previous quotations.

DUBLIN DAIRY CATTLE.—There was a slight increase in the number of dairy cattle offered here to-day, being 20 over last day—viz., 330 total. There was, perhaps, a little more life in this section of market, but, on the whole, there is not much change to report either in values or business. One exceptionally fine animal realised £40, but the general run of prices for prime heavy milchers may again be quoted at from £30 to £35 and £37 and £38 apiece, and these latter figures would only apply to something of class and breeding. Good fresh quality milchers £21 to £26 apiece; small cows, say, £14 14/- to £20 each.

DUBLIN PIG MARKET.—A big supply of pigs to handle here this morning—viz., 1,290 head, showing an increase of 115 over last Thursday. There was a good attendance of Cross-channel men, who evinced a better buying disposition than recently; Northern and local buyers were also in good numbers, and trade on the whole was active and healthy. Heavy bacon pigs and choice porkers ran, at say, 77/6 to 80/- and 82/6, and in some exceptional instances up to 85/- per cwt., the more ordinary classes realising 70/- to 76/-, and 77/- per cwt., and those suiting export requirements say 75/- to 80/- per cwt. Sow pigs and stores running in much the same groove as recently.

BIRMINGHAM.—Fairly good supply of pigs. Business somewhat variable and moderate demand on the average, with late rates, however, well maintained. Bacons are firm at 16/6 per score dead weight; cutters unchanged, 15/6 to 16/6, and sows 11/6.

YORK.—Smaller show of Irish cattle, with larger percentage of medium quality. Only moderate attendance, and trade remains very slow, low beef prices having a depressing effect on stock prices. Very few English stores showing. Rather more dairy cattle, with prices rather lower, and for the first time for some weeks, a few were left on hands. Sheep trade quiet.

BRISTOL.—Christmas market. Beef fair supply, 95/- to 100/-; extra choice fed for Christmas made up to 112/- per cwt. Mutton moderate supply, 1/5 to 1/6 per lb. About 500 store cattle; most sold. Milch cows £23 to £30, up to £43.

HAY SPICE—One cwt. sufficient for 20 tons. Agent, W. Rourke, 36 North Circular road, Dublin.—(Advt.)

GRAIN.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES—BALTIC.—WHEAT—Cargo market firm, but quiet; No. 1 Northern Manitoba Dec. sellers 67/6, No. 2 hard winter Jan. 63/3, choice white Karachi Dec. 61/-, Australian Jan.-Feb. 64/-, and Rosafe 64lbs. ditto 63/3. Parcels firmly held; No. 1 Northern Manitoba Feb.-March sold 68/4½, No. 2 hard winter Jan. 63/3, Rosafe 64lbs. Jan. sellers 62/9 per 480lbs. MAIZE—Cargoes again dearer by about 6d. per qr., but demand ruled quiet; Plate afloat sellers 43/3, Dec.-Jan. 45/6 and Jan.-Feb. 48/-. Parcels active and dearer, though irregular; Plate Dec.-Jan. sold 44/9 to 45/-, Jan.-Feb. 47/3 to 46/9 to 47/1½, and No. 2 white flat African Dec.-Jan. sellers 45/3 per 480lbs. BARLEY market quiet, but quotations nominally unaltered. OATS firm, with a moderate inquiry; Plate f.a.q. afloat sellers 28/-, Jan. 27/6, and No. 2 Canadian Western Dec. 31/6 per 320lbs.

LIVERPOOL.—American and Argentine cables were disappointing, and forward deliveries of WHEAT here gave way to a liberal extent at the outset, but afterwards improved on limited offerings; then fluctuated moderately, eventually finishing slightly over the worst point, though showing a liberal decline on the day, afternoon cables being discouraging. C.i.f. parcels No. 1 Manitoba December-January sold at 66/3, No. 2 Duluth January 66/6, No. 2 hard winter December 61/3, choice white Karachi afloat 60/6, December-January 61/3 per quarter. C.i.f. parcels MAIZE, River Plate afloat, sold at 42/6 to 43/-, December-January 44/6 to 45/-, and January-February 46/6 to 47/- per quarter. Wheat on the spot ruled quiet at about late rates. Maize—Spot parcels River Plate firmer at 9/2½ to 9/3, with Russian steady at 10/6, and Bessarabian 10/9 per cental. FLOUR steady, but quiet at late rates. Graded wheat futures opened 1½d. per cental lower, recovered ½d., then fluctuated fairly, according to the offerings, the market closing quiet at 1¾d. to 1½d. under last night, or slightly over the worst point. Maize options opened 1½d. lower, then fully recovered, but again gave way, and closed 1½d. to 1¼d. per cental lower on the day.

BRISTOL.—English wheat fair supply; prices vary from 50/- to 58/-; foreign more business, values 1/- to 2/- dearer; No. 1 Northern Manitoba 71/6 to 72/-. Grinding barley hardening, 1/- to 1/6 over last week. Maize firm, 6d. to 1/- dearer. Oats quiet, unchanged.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish and Danish BACON again meets a good demand, and with sellers offering sparingly late prices are fully maintained. Canadian Wiltshires also firm, and attract rather more attention, at fully recent currencies. American selections of bacon here again rule quiet at unchanged prices for singed Wiltshires, but Cumberlands show an occasional decline of 1/- to 2/-, light averages being quoted 88/- to 94/- and heavy 93/- to 98/- per cwt. The few bellies available are rapidly absorbed, while long clears and backs remain nominal in the absence of supplies. HAMS still quiet, with offerings fully equal to requirements, but no quotable change reported. Shoulders continue quiet and unaltered for squares, with picnics still scarce and nominal. LARD on the spot meets only a moderate demand, and prices are about 6d. easier. Prime steam now 87/- to 87/6, and American refined 86/6 to 88/- per cwt. CHEESE firm for both Canadian and New Zealand at the recent advance, with a better trade reported. BUTTER steady, with a moderate inquiry at late rates, Danish being in very small compass. EGGS quiet, at 26/- to 28/- per 120 for Irish hen and 11/3 to 11/9 Egyptian.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE.—There was a good sale for everything arriving on the market, at following rates:—York cabbage 45/- to 60/-, Savoy 38/- to 59/- per load; cauliflowers 3/- to 4/- per dozen, swede turnips 1/8 to 2/1 per cwt., white turnips 4d. to 8d. per bunch, carrots 1/9 to 2/6 per bunch, thyme 4d. to 8d. per bunch, parsley 1/- to 1/6, parsnips 3/6 per bag.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE POTATO.—Potatoes of all classes remain in excess of business practicable at unchanged values—namely, 8/- to 8/6 per cwt.

CORK BUTTER.—The market has undergone no noteworthy change. Creameries 215/- per cwt., choicest salted 215/-, farmers' fresh parcels 163/-.

COPENHAGEN BUTTER.—The weekly Copenhagen butter quotation—510 kroner per 100 kilos, approximately £11 9/4 per cwt., an increase of 9/11 on the previous week.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE FISH.—Fish in fairly large compass, especially herrings, of which 241 boxes offered. Arrivals from local and country bookers and wind trawlers were also fair, and business was good at following prices:—Large soles 20/- to 25/-, mediums 16/- to 17/6, and slips 10/- to 12/6 per 9 pairs; turbot 2/- to 15/- each, brill 6d. to 4/- each, plaice in boxes 20/- to 40/-, and 25/-, codfish 20/- to 30/- and 35/-, ray 10/- to 20/- per half box; herrings averaged 15/- to 25/- and 35/-, according to count.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Supply fair. Demand fair. Plaice 13/6, lemon soles 22/-, halibut 12/- to 16/-, cod 4/- to 8/-, skate 7/-, small haddocks 3/-, kit 6/6, gibbed 9/-, dabs 10/- to 11/-, codlings 6/6, whiting 5/- per stone; soles 1/10, turbot and brill 1/1 per lb.

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT.—Beef steady. Scotch sides, long 7/8 to 8/-, short 8/- to 8/8, English ditto 5/8 to 6/6. Mutton quiet; Scotch tegs 9/- to 10/4, wethers 9/- to 9/8; English tegs 9/4 to 9/8, wethers 8/- to 9/4, ewes 5/8 to 6/-; imported frozen 4/8 to 5/10. Lamb quiet; Scotch hill 8/- to 10/4.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—No further change occurred in spot prices both with regard to British and foreign makes, while a moderate amount of business resulted. Forward positions steady, quiet; Czecho granulated ready 19/6 f.o.b. Hamburg. Raw refining kinds remain generally quiet. White terminal met with fair support and a steady tone ensued; December sold 17/3 to 17/4½, March 17/3 to 17/4½, May 17/4½ to 17/6, August 17/7½ per cwt. COFFEE—Spot market fairly steady but generally quiet. COCOA—Spot unaltered; Accra F/F January-March sold 40/- to 40/3 per cwt. f.o.b. TEA—Java and Sumatra auctions of 6,650 packages met a good demand for all kinds at steady rates. Pekoe sold 1/6½ to 1/8½, broken ditto 1/8½ to 1/11½. Pekoe Souchong 1/6½ to 1/8, orange 1/7½ to 1/10½, broken orange 1/7½ to 1/11½ per lb. in bond.

RICE steady on the part of shippers, but buyers still adopt reserve. Two stars spot 17/9 to 18/-, Italian afloat 21/6 c.f. and i. London. Beans and peas steady, but demand keeps quiet. SPICE—Pepper quiet but steady; black Singapore L. S. January-March 8d., Lampong ditto 8 5-16d., Muntok January-March 10 11-16d., March-May 11d. Zanzibar cloves October-December 1/1, January-March 1/1½d. per lb. TAPIOCA dull; Singapore flake December-February to Havre 23/-, Penang seed to London 18/3. Sago flour January-March 16/3 per cwt. JUTE again reservedly offered, and market manifested increased firmness. A fair demand prevailed; firsts December-January and January-February Continent quoted £38 15/-, February-March £39 per ton. Hessians and twills steady, quiet. HEMP—Manila remained dull and featureless; J. December-February quoted £56 5/- to £54 5/-, L £55 and M £53. New Zealand nominal; African sisal, No. 1 Tanganyika December-February £49 per ton c.f. and i. terms. SHELLAC dull; T.N. fair quality spot 330/- to 335/-, March 337/6 per cwt. COPRA in fair request and market steady; F.M.S. Straits December-February to Rotterdam quoted £30 10/-, January-March £30 10/-, Dutch January-March at £30 5/-, Ceylon December-January £31 17/6, South Sea F.M.S. £29 12/6. PALM KERNELS firm; November-December Liverpool quoted £22 18/9, January-March £22 17/6 per ton.

RUBBER steady; standard plantation crepe and sheet spot and January sold 1/6¼ to 1/6⅛, January-March 1/6¼, April-June 1/6¼. To New York—Standard sheets January-February quoted 1/6¼ per lb. c.i.f. and terms. With unaltered. OILS—Linseed firmer; spot 46/6, January-April 46/-, May-August 46/6. Rape, cotton, etc., unaltered. Turpentine easier; American spot 59/9, January-April 59/6 per cwt. OILSEEDS—Linseed again with Plate sorts in demand. Calcutta December-January sellers £23 10/-, April-May £23 and February-March sold £22 1/3 to £22 5/-. Rapeseed quiet and barely steady; Toria afloat sellers £21 10/-, new crop December-January £20 17/6, B. B. Ferozepore November-December £21. Cottonseed dull; Egyptian black December-January sellers £13 2/6, white £12 11/6, Bombay January-February sold £10 10/- per ton.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR.—There is no improvement to report in this market. The demand is poor and confined to actually available sugars, with prices very irregular.

MISCELLANEOUS.

BRADFORD WOOL.—The easing in Merino wool has created a feeling of hesitancy in fine tops, and business is at a standstill. Topmakers' quotations are still below replacement cost, and consequently they are resisting concessions. Medium and coarse crossbred tops, though quieter, are very firm at late rates. Germany has bought low crossbred yarns extensively during the past fortnight.

MANCHESTER HAY AND STRAW.—On Produce Exchange, fair supplies of both hay and straw reported. Prices steady at about late rates. General quotations:—Lincolnshire rye grass and clover £5 10/- to £5 15/-, Cheshire £5 5/-, meadow hay £4 15/-, oat straw 75/-, wheat straw 70/- per ton, all delivered Manchester.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

SHARP RISE IN LEAD.

TIN market rather irregular forward, with moderate sales, and prices 2/6 to 5/- per ton lower on balance compared with the previous close. Cash quoted £256 5/- to £256 10/-, three months £259 7/6 to £259 12/6; settlement price £256 5/-. Sales, 450 tons; cash sold £256 10/- to £256 5/3; three months £259 15/-, £259 5/- and finally £259 10/-. COPPER was a steady market, and practically unchanged on balance; cash quoted £64 7/6 to £64 10/-, three months £65 7/6 to £65 10/-; settlement price £64 7/6. Sales, 1,250 tons; cash done £64 7/6 and three months £65 7/6 to £65 11/3 and £65 8/9. Electros £68 15/- to £69 5/-. LEAD advanced sharply. Sales, 1,500 tons; Dec. sold £41 to £41 5/-, Jan. £40 7/6, Feb. £39 5/- to £39 12/6, March £38 15/- to £39 2/6 and £39; settlement price £41 5/-. English quoted £42 10/-. SPELTER dearer. Sales, 1,200 tons; Dec. sold £36 to £36 1/3 (also Jan.), with Feb. at £36 2/6, March £36 to £36 2/6, and April £36 1/3; settlement price £36 2/6 per ton. QUICKSILVER £11 16/- to £12 per bottle.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

Auctions were further postponed owing to fog, but, weather permitting, the balance of offerings for the present series will be submitted to-day (Friday).

LIVE STOCK PRICES IN DUBLIN.

Average prices per cwt. live weight of fat cattle, sheep and lambs in Dublin Market:—

Year.	Fat Cattle. 11th Dec. s.	d.	4th Dec. s.	d.	27th Nov. s.	d.
1924	48	3	47	6	45	9
At corresponding dates in previous years:—						
1923	45	9	43	0	42	3
1920	90	0	89	0	90	3
1916	63	3	58	6	55	6
1914	39	0	36	9	38	3

Year.	Fat Sheep. 11th Dec. s.	d.	Fat Cattle. 11th Dec. s.	d.
1924	59	3	67	3
At corresponding dates in previous years:—				
1923	58	0	62	0
1920	100	6	113	0
1916	69	3	58	3
1914	40	6	37	6

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

YOUNG WOMAN CHARGED WITH MURDER.

(Before Mr. Justice Sullivan.)

A young woman, named Mary Moynihan, pleaded not guilty to the wilful murder of her mistress, Nora Horgan, at Toureenabuscane, Kanturk, on the 9th September, 1922.

Mr. Joseph Healy (instructed by Messrs. Noyk and O'Reilly) were assigned for the defence by the judge.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., and Mr. White, K.C. (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) prosecuted. Mr. J. Reidy (instructed by Mr. J. J. Lenahan, Kanturk) held a watching brief on behalf of Jeremiah Horgan, the husband of the murdered woman.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., said that the deceased woman, her husband, two servant boys and the accused all lived in the one house. On the morning of the murder arrangements had been made to take pigs to Cork, and at an early hour Jeremiah Horgan and a servant boy left the house. Later in the day the other servant boy went to the creamery, and the deceased woman and accused were alone. Between 10 and 11 o'clock neighbours passing the house heard cries for help, and it would be proved conclusively that the voice that raised the alarm was that of the accused. One man who went to the house would tell the jury that when he entered it he observed all the signs of butchery. The accused held the corpse in her arms, and pretended that, with the weight of it, she was exhausted and unable to extricate herself. But it would be sworn that it was the accused who called for help from the door of the house. The deceased woman had been dead for some time when assistance arrived. Her head was a mass of wounds; the blood had become encrusted and had ceased flowing. The prisoner's explanation was that a strange man, in a brown suit, had murdered her mistress, but when questioned later she said: "Put me no questions, I cannot answer." In the house a slasher, which was used to hack this unfortunate woman to death, was found, and a broken car spring, which also appeared to have been used. While the dead woman was lying unburied, and neighbours were calling to the house, two of them saw the accused kissing the murdered woman's husband.

Subsequently the accused made a series of statements, many of them at variance with each other. At one time she said that the man who murdered her mistress was Daniel Kiely, the local postman, and though she afterwards withdrew the statement, it would be proved that it would have been humanly impossible for Kiely to be at the scene of the crime on this morning, and that the reflection cast upon his name was a foul injustice. Some time after the murder the prisoner went home to her father, and a letter was conveyed by the murdered woman's brother from her husband to the accused. The prisoner wrote a letter in reply, and addressed the dead woman's husband as "Dear Jerry."

Daniel Cronin, who answered the cries for help, described the scene in a scullery, where he saw the deceased woman lying dead on the floor and the accused supporting her in her arms.

J. J. O'Connor, a neighbour of the Horgans, said that he recognised the prisoner's voice when he heard her calling, "Nora, Nora Fitz., will you come to me?" When he entered she said, "Oh, dear God, Jack and I alone!" Her explanation of the murder was that she was washing in the kitchen when she saw a strange man enter the scullery and strike Mrs. Horgan.

Mrs. Ellen Clifford deposed that, when she asked the prisoner what happened Mrs. Horgan, she replied, "A man came in and killed her. He swore me not to tell who he was: not to tell he was a man."

Dr. J. J. O'Riordan gave evidence that the deceased was "dead and cold" when he saw her, about noon, on the 9th September. In his opinion death had occurred some hours previously. The wounds could have been inflicted with the slasher or portion of the car spring (produced), or by any sharp instrument, and were sufficient to cause death.

HUSBAND'S EVIDENCE.

Jeremiah Horgan, the deceased woman's husband, stated that he was married in 1915. In 1918 he employed the prisoner as a servant. On his arrival home from Cork, on the evening of the 9th September, he saw his wife dead. He asked the prisoner what happened her, and she replied that a strange man in brown clothes came in and killed her. He told her he "would not let the case go like that: that there would be more about it." The day after the funeral the prisoner left his house. In reply to a letter that he sent her she said that she "knew the talk of the people was frightful," but they could prove nothing against her. She was going "to stick to what she said."

Mr. Healy (cross-examining)—Were the relations between your wife and the prisoner friendly? Yes. Did you ever see the prisoner particularly violent? No, I did not.

Did you hear it sworn that the prisoner embraced you, or that you embraced the prisoner before the funeral?—Is that true? No; she was embracing everybody in the yard that day.

And did not embrace you? No; I would not let her.

To His Lordship—He could not say what the phrase in prisoner's letter—"You know in your heart, Jerry, I would not harm you" meant.

Denis Sheehan deposed that, when Horgan returned home on the night of the murder, the prisoner embraced him and said: "Oh, dear God, Jerry, what will you do?"

Maria Herlihy corroborated.

The hearing was then adjourned until this morning, and the jury were locked up for the night.

One hundred and thirty public school boys from the Australian Commonwealth arrive in England at the end of January for a tour of the British Isles and the Continent, under the auspices of the Young Australia League.

YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS.

ACTION AGAINST TRANSPORT UNION.

PLAINTIFF'S APPEAL ALLOWED IN PART.

(Before the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice O'Connor, and Mr. Justice FitzGibbon.)

In the case of Connolly v. Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, an interlocutory appeal on behalf of the plaintiff, Michael Connolly, was heard from an order made by Mr. Justice Murnaghan on the 18th ult. staying the proceedings in the action on the ground that it was identical with the action of James Larkin v. Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, previously heard by the Court. The plaintiff now sought to have Mr. Justice Murnaghan's order reversed, with costs.

It was admitted on behalf of the plaintiff that the two actions were identical except as regards the proceedings, which, it was stated, were different in some respects. In the case of James Larkin v. Irish Transport and General Workers' Union the action was brought by one who was at least a nominal co-trustee as an officer of the Union, and was responsible for what had been done, including the alleged misapplication of the funds of the Union; whereas this was not an action brought by a co-trustee, but by a cestuique trust—an action of a member of the Union whose money was alleged to have been misapplied.

The plaintiff, it was urged, was entitled to have his action tried in order to have an account given of the moneys expended upon elections and other alleged illegal purposes, so that he might get his money, as a member of the Union, back. That matter had not been dealt with in Mr. Justice Murnaghan's judgment staying the action.

Mr. Lynn (instructed by Messrs. Wm. Smyth and Sons) put forward these arguments in support of the appeal on behalf of the plaintiff.

Mr. Serjeant Hanna, K.C., who, with Mr. M. Maguire (instructed by Messrs. James O'Connor and Co.), opposed the appeal on behalf of the defendants, argued that this was a vexatious action. The money alleged to have been misappropriated had, he said, been expended for the general benefit of the Union, to the knowledge of all the members. This action was brought for the purpose of breaking up the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, a matter which had been hanging over their heads since Larkin's return from America. This alleged misappropriation of funds had been going on with the knowledge of the members from 1913; and Larkin, who was general secretary, spent the money himself till he went away, and he knew all about it.

Mr. Maguire said that the defendants were seeking protection against the machinery of the Court being abused for the purpose of persecuting them and preventing them from carrying on their business, which was the principal object of the present action. The plaintiff had not asked for any specific account of the funds, and no claim on the subject had been made prior to action brought.

The Chief Justice pointed out that if money had been misappropriated from the Widows' and Orphans' Fund it could be reinstated.

Mr. Maguire said that the whole frame of the action was ridiculous. It was brought on behalf of three men, and not on behalf of the Union. If they wanted an account they should have asked the defendants for it; but they did not want an account.

Mr. Lynn replied at considerable length.

Mr. Justice O'Connor pointed out that Mr. Lynn's client's affidavits were absolutely unintelligible.

The Court, while affirming the decision of Mr. Justice Murnaghan as regards one portion of the plaintiffs' writ, held that the plaintiffs were entitled to proceed with that part of the action covered by paragraph 3 of the endorsement on the writ relating to the account with respect to the funds, consequent upon the declaration of the Master of the Rolls in Mr. Larkin's action in the Rolls Court that they had a *prima facie* right to an account. The plaintiffs had now shown that they had that *prima facie* right.

Mr. Justice O'Connor said that if an account had been asked for at the time in the Rolls Court it would probably have been granted, but no application for an account had been made.

In the result the appeal was dismissed so far as the first portion of the plaintiffs' claim was concerned, and allowed with reference to the portion of it relating to an account, the defendants to be at liberty to resist their limited claim as far as possible in the proceedings in the action.

The plaintiffs were not allowed costs, and the defendants were allowed their costs in the action.

EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS.

In the case of Foran and others v. Larkin, Mr. M. Maguire (instructed by Messrs. James O'Connor and Co.) applied on behalf of the plaintiffs for an order staying execution in the action which had been brought before Mr. Justice Murnaghan against Mrs. James Larkin for ejectment from the premises 54 Upper Beechwood, avenue, Dublin, for non-payment of rent. Mr. Justice Murnaghan dismissed the action, with costs; and the defendants had threatened to lodge the costs with the Sheriff. If that was done, the plaintiffs, in the event of succeeding in their appeal in the matter, which had been entered for hearing on the 18th inst., would find it impossible to recover the costs, as Mr. Larkin had been made a bankrupt.

The Court granted the application, the plaintiffs undertaking to speed the hearing of the appeal.

DUBLIN FIRM'S ACTION.

CLAIM FOR INDEMNITY.

(Before Mr. Justice Meredith.)

The case of Rickerby v. the London and Newcastle Tea Company was heard.

The plaintiff was J. P. Rickerby, carrying on business under the name of Rickerby and Son, Garden lane, Dublin, wholesale provision merchants, and he brought an action against the London and Newcastle Tea Company, tea and provision merchants, Talbot street, Dublin, claiming to recover by way of indemnity under Section 6 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906. Plaintiff claimed the sum of £11 as to £89 5s., part thereof being the amount paid by the plaintiff to Patrick O'Reilly, a workman in his employment up to the 28th March, 1924, under the said Act; as to £11, the expenses incurred in connection with the claim, and as to the balance—viz., the sum of £15 15s., costs of the arbitration proceedings paid by the plaintiff in respect of injuries sustained by O'Reilly, which were caused by the alleged negligence of the defendants.

The case for the plaintiff was that on the 9th April, 1923, Patrick O'Reilly, a workman in the employment of the plaintiff, was, in the course of his employment, delivering sides of bacon to the defendants at their business premises, and whilst so employed, and whilst carrying portion of the bacon from the front entrance of defendants' premises to a store at the rear in occupation of the defendants, he stepped upon a box which was standing in the passage leading and acting as a step into the store. The box slipped out of position or toppled over when O'Reilly stepped upon it, as a result of which he fell heavily to the ground and sustained serious laceration of the muscles of his back, a sprained leg and a severe shock. The alleged negligence consisted in the defendants causing the box to be used as a step, leaving same unlighted, and in not having the passage in which the box was placed adequately lighted. The plaintiff paid O'Reilly compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act at the rate of 35s. per week from the 9th April to the 21st December, 1923, when plaintiff refused to make any further payment. O'Reilly filed a request for arbitration on the 29th January, 1924, and the Recorder of Dublin, on the 6th March, ordered the plaintiff to pay as compensation the weekly payment of £1 15s. The plaintiff paid O'Reilly up to the 28th March in respect of compensation and costs of the arbitration proceedings the sum of £116 0s. 6d., and from that date up to the 27th June a further sum of £32 15s. The defendants had refused to indemnify the plaintiff, who now claimed the sum of £120 5s. 6d.

The defendants, in their defence, denied that they were guilty of the negligence alleged, or that the plaintiff was entitled to be indemnified by them. They further pleaded that O'Reilly was guilty of contributory negligence, and, alternatively, that O'Reilly knew and appreciated the risk and danger in respect of which he received the alleged injuries, and voluntarily accepted and encountered same.

Mr. Battersby, K.C.; Mr. Carson, K.C., and Mr. C. S. Campbell (instructed by Messrs. Molloy, Fayle and Co.) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Lardner, K.C.; Mr. Dockrell, K.C., and Mr. Corbett (instructed by Messrs. Gerald Byrne and Co.) for the defendants.

The jury disagreed and were discharged.

MOATE FARMER'S WILL.

DISPOSAL OF VALUABLE FARM.

(Before Mr. Justice O'Shaughnessy.)

The probate suit of Edward Marsh, of Avoca place, Blackrock, Co. Dublin, farmer, against Mrs. Annie Mahon, of Moate, Co. Westmeath; George Marsh, of Tyrrellstown, farmer; Mrs. Louisa Cunningham, of Brockloan street, Portarlington; Mrs. Mary Marsh, of Tyrrellspass; Mrs. Emily Acheson, Mardyke street, Athlone, and Benjamin Marsh, of Tyrrellspass, farmer, came on for hearing.

The plaintiff claimed to be the legatee under the last will, dated 11th January, 1923, of George Marsh, late of Kilcatherine, Moate, who died on the 10th January, 1924, and to have the said will established.

The writ was issued against the defendants, Annie Mahon, George Marsh, Louisa Cunningham, Mary Marsh, and Emily Acheson, as five of the next-of-kin of the deceased, and because they entered *caveats*, and against the defendant, Benjamin Marsh, as the executor named in the will, because he had either refused to prove the will or to renounce his right to probate thereof.

The defendant, Emily Acheson, did not enter an appearance to the warning to the *caveat*, and accordingly this defendant was joined merely for the purpose of binding her by the proceedings, and, in the event of her not defending the action, it was not to seek an order for costs against her.

Since the action was brought the defendant, Benjamin Marsh, the executor named in the will, had, by a renunciation under his hand dated 6th June, 1924, renounced his right to probate thereof, and notice of discontinuance against him of this action had been served. The plaintiff, therefore, claimed to have the will proved in solemn form.

An appearance was entered for Annie Mahon, George Marsh, Louisa Cunningham, and Mary Marsh, and they contested the will on the three usual statutory grounds.

Mr. Lynch, K.C.; Mr. Swayne, K.C., and Mr. Matheson (instructed by Messrs. Matheson, Ormsby and Prentice) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Denning, K.C., and Mr. Newett (instructed by Messrs. A. and L. Goodbody) for the defendants.

In opening the case for the plaintiff, Mr. Lynch, K.C., said that Edward Marsh was the sole legatee of the will dated 11th January, 1923, of his father, George Marsh, who died on the 10th January, 1924, and he claimed to have the will established in solemn form. The defendants, George Marsh, Annie Mahon, Louisa Cunningham, and Mary Marsh were brother and sisters of the plaintiff. The will was drawn in the office of Mr. Wallace, State Solicitor for County Westmeath, by the managing clerk, Mr. Mangan, on the instructions of the deceased, George Marsh. It was read over to Mr. Marsh and duly executed by him in the presence of Mr. Mangan and Mr. Kennedy, manager of the National Bank, who happened to be in the office at the time. The deceased, who was seventy-four years of age, owned a farm of forty acres of purchased land. It was valued at £1,500 or £1,600, and that was the total assets of the testator. By the will he left everything to his son, and evidence would be given that the testator was perfectly competent at the time to make a will and that he knew and approved of its contents.

Evidence was then given by Mr. Mangan and Mr. Kennedy as to the signing of the will; and by Mr. Wallace, solicitor; Mr. Meeke, manager Ulster Bank, and Dr. Moorehead, Moate, who stated that they never saw anything in the testator's appearance that would suggest that he was in any way mentally affected.

On resuming after the adjournment, Mr. Denning, K.C., announced that the defendants did not feel justified in further opposing the will, and his clients withdrew further opposition to it.

Mr. Justice O'Shaughnessy said that counsel had adopted a proper course in the case.

The jury then found in favour of the will.

Mr. Justice O'Shaughnessy allowed the defendants £40 costs to meet their actual out-of-pocket expenses.

A PROMISSORY NOTE.

(Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan.)

In the case of the Town and County Advance Company, Ltd., v. Smith, Mr. Felix Sherry (instructed by Mr. J. A. Scott) applied on behalf of the defendant, Jessie Smith, Upper Leeson street, Dublin, for an order transferring the case for hearing to the Dublin District Court. Counsel moved on the affidavit of the defendant, in which she stated that the action was brought against her by the plaintiffs, who have offices at Newry, to recover a sum of £17, being balance alleged to be due on foot of a promissory note for the sum of £20, dated the 24th August last, and payable on demand. Defendant stated that she had a good defence to the action, and that she received only £14 on foot of her promissory note of £20, and she submitted that the action should not be brought in the High Court, as the summons was within the jurisdiction of the District Court.

Mr. Justice Murnghan made the order sought.

It was subsequently stated out of court that this was the first case transferred from the High Court to the District Court under the new jurisdiction.

ACCIDENT IN PHŒNIX PARK.

(Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan.)

In the case of Moloney v. Hoey, Miss Moran, for Mr. E. J. Kelly (instructed by Mr. J. J. McDonald), applied on behalf of the plaintiffs to have a consent to the settlement of the actions made a rule of Court. The plaintiffs, Michael Moloney and John G. Moloney, of Blessington street, Dublin, described respectively in the writ as medical doctor and medical student, claimed damages against Leopold Hoey, Royal Irish Constabulary, Phœnix Park, for personal injuries sustained by them through, as they alleged, the negligence of the defendant in the management of a motor ambulance near the Gough Monument, Phœnix Park, on the 2nd July, 1921.

Counsel said that the action was an old one. The plaintiffs were brothers, and were run down in Phœnix Park by the defendant, who was a motor ambulance driver. The consent provided for the payment by the defendant of £170 to the plaintiffs in full discharge of all claims. She asked his lordship to make an order consolidating the actions.

Mr. Justice Murnaghan said that upon Messrs. Gerald Byrne and Co., the solicitors for the defendant, undertaking to pay the plaintiffs he would receive the consent and make it a rule of Court.

SUIR FISHING RIGHTS.

(Before Mr. Justice Meredith.)

An action in which Colonel Richard Butler Charteris, of Cahir Park, Tipperary, was plaintiff, and Maurice Savage, John Tighe, Frederick Hill and Francis Clarke were defendants, was set down for judgment in default of appearance. The plaintiff claimed a declaration that he is entitled to the exclusive right of fishing and taking fish in that part of the River Suir flowing over or situate in the townlands of Lisheenanoul, Knocknadempsey, Clocully and Neddins Farran, in the barony of Iffa and Offa, West, and County of Tipperary, subject only in the case of the last-mentioned townland to such concurrent rights as were reserved to the Duke of Ormonde, under the fee-farm grant under which the same was formerly held; and also an injunction restraining the defendants, and each of them, their servants and agents, from trespassing upon the said fisheries, or from entering upon or fishing in any part of the said fisheries, or taking or attempting to take fish therein.

Mr. Justice Meredith gave judgment in the terms of the declaration sought, and granted an injunction, with costs of the action.

Mr. Ernest Phelps, K.C., and Mr. J. E. Walsh (instructed by Messrs. McMahon and Tweedy) appeared for the plaintiff.

There was no appearance for the defendants.

A DUBLIN PARTNERSHIP.

(Before Mr. Justice Murnaghan.)

In the case of Joseph Halpin v. Laurence Lamb, which was a motion on behalf of the defendant to have the judgment entered on the 17th November last, and all subsequent proceedings thereunder, set aside as irregular, Mr. Felix Sherry (instructed by Mr. James Fagan) applied on behalf of the defendant to have a consent to settlement made a rule of Court.

Counsel said that the irregularity relied on was that the writ was not specially endorsed, and that the claim in it was not a claim that could be specially endorsed under Order 3, Rule 6, of the Rules of Court. Halpin and Lamb had traded as the Irish Electrical Engineering Company, at Granby lane, Dublin, but a dissolution of partnership took place in May last, and one of the terms of the agreement of dissolution was that on payment by Lamb to Halpin of the sum of £150 Halpin would transfer and assign all the rights, interests, debts and liabilities to Lamb, the £150 to be paid only when the assignment took place. No such assignment was ever tendered. Halpin, being under the impression that the sum of £150 was still due and owing, issued a specially endorsed writ in August, claiming that sum. An appearance was duly entered by the defendant's solicitor, calling for a statement of claim. No statement was delivered, and on the 17th November judgment was marked in default of defence, and the Sheriff went into possession on the 25th November.

It was now agreed between the parties that the judgment entered on the 17th November be vacated at the expense of the plaintiff; that the plaintiff should pay the fees due to the Sheriff; sign a letter in the form to be approved by the defendant, to be addressed and inserted by the plaintiff at his expense in the mercantile papers which published the registration of the judgment; and that the defendant did not require the plaintiff to pay the costs of the action.

Mr. Justice Murnaghan received the consent on the defendant undertaking not to bring any action on foot of the judgment marked.

THANKS TO JURORS.

In discharging the city common jurors yesterday from further attendance at the High Courts of Justice for the present term, all the jury records having been tried and disposed of, Mr. Justice O'Shaughnessy thanked the jurors for their attendance from day to day, and for the great assistance they had rendered in the administration of justice. It indicated, he said, a healthy public spirit and a return to the normal condition of affairs.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT.

ENGLISH M.P.'S DUBLIN RENTS.

(Before Judge Dromgoole.)

Edmund Russborough Turton, member of Parliament, of Thirsk Castle, Yorkshire, sued Mrs. Josephine Roche, of Lower Leeson street, Dublin, to recover £191 15s., arrears of rent due out of two houses in Lower Leeson street. The plaintiff, in his evidence, stated that he was heir to the Countess of Milltown, and through her became entitled to the property in question.

The case for the defendant was that the claim was excessive.

The Judge gave judgment for £89 5s., being one and a half year's rent due out of each house up to the first gale day of 1922, less £30 5s., deducted for overpayment, the plaintiff undertaking to give credit for income tax paid. The plaintiff was declared entitled to his costs.

Mr. H. Hughes (instructed by Mr. W. A. Lamphier) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. C. Maguire (instructed by Messrs. Dwyer and Co.) for the defendant.

MOTORS IN COLLISION.

The action was heard in which Francis Stern, taxi owner, Templemore avenue, Rathmines, sued Paul McCann, Botanic road, Glasnevin, for £50 damages to the plaintiff's taxi-cab, which was damaged in a collision with the defendant's motor car, which it was alleged was negligently driven, at Portobello Bridge on 21st September last. The defence was that the collision was due to the negligence of plaintiff.

Having heard the evidence, the Judge awarded the plaintiff £35 damages.

Mr. Nolan-Whelan (instructed by Mr. S. D. Lambert) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. J. Henry (instructed by Messrs. O'Neill and Collins) for the defendant.

UNIVERSITY NEWS.

TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.

CONFERRING OF DEGREES.

The Senate of Dublin University met in the Theatre of Trinity College, Dublin, yesterday for the purpose of conferring degrees. The Caput consisted of the Vice-Chancellor (Lord Glenavy), the Provost and the Senior Master Non-Regent (Professor Thrift). The attendance was very large and among those present were:—Dr. Westropp Roberts, S.F.,T.C.D.; Mr. R. Russell, S.F.,T.C.D.; Professor Fry, S.F.,T.C.D.; Mr. E. J. Gwynn, F.,T.C.D.; Mr. Webb, F.,T.C.D.; Professor H Canning, F.,T.C.D.; Professor A. F. Dixon, Professor Sir William Taylor, Professor J. H. Purser, Professor D. Clark, Dr. McNeile, Dr. Bastable, Professor Gatenby, Professor G. Waterhouse, Dr. Pringle, Sir John Moore and many others.

The following degrees were conferred:—

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IN ABSENTIA.

Moderator Senior.—Doreen Lillias Spielman (discip. Sch.).

Licentiatus in Medicinâ et in Chirurgiâ et in Arte Obstetriciâ.—Ludovicus MacSherry Bell.

Baccalaureus in Scientiis.—Dorothy Shana King (stip. cond.).

Baccalaurei in Dentariâ Scientiâ.—Olive Gwendolen Kerr, Eduardus Austin Kieran, Robertus Georgius Torrens.

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Doctor in Scientiis.—Ludovicus Bouvier Smyth (stip. cond.).

Doctor in Litteris.—Thomas Percy Claudius Kirkpatrick.

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Doctores in Utroque Jure.—Rev. Ernestus Augustus Glover, Rev. Fredericus Hatch.

IN ABSENTIA.

Baccalaureus in Utroque Jure.—Rev. Evan Basilius Herbert.

Magistri in Artibus.—Rev. Isaac Emmanuel Davidson, Rev. Franciscus Guilelmus Ferraro, Rev. Evan Basilius Herbert (ad eund. Cantab.), Johannes Passau, Rev. Egerton Johannes Ward, Mabel Kathleen Annie Wilson.

Doctor in Philosophiâ.—Dakshina Ranjan Bhattacharya.

Doctor in Litteris.—Gualterus Fitzwilliam Starkie (stip. cond.).

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19-20 BACHELOR'S WALK,

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CONCLUDING DAY OF BREAK-UP SALE,

TO-DAY (FRIDAY), AT 11.45, AT

NEW WAPPING STREET, NORTH WALL.

COMMENCING AT LOT 301 IN CATALOGUE, AT 11.45.

FIRECLAY GOODS, FLOATS, DRAYS, LORRIES, CARTS, TRAILERS, TIMBER STOCKS, Including—Floorings, Sheetings, Architraves, Sash Stuffs; also Swedish Red Deals, and a large assortment of 9 x 3 White Deal, cut into boards of various thicknesses; and at 1.30 sharp, the 26 various Buildings, Stores, Offices, Sheds and Stables.

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SALE TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) AND MONDAY NEXT (IN CONTINUATION).

HIGH-CLASS MODERN FURNITURE,

WOLESLEY 5-SEATER CAR, SMALL SPRING CART, SUIT PONY, 12-14 HANDS; PIANOFORTES, ¾-SIZE ORME BILLIARD TABLE AND ACCESSORIES, AND 2 OTHER HALF-SIZE TABLES, Etc.

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SALE THIS DAY AT 3 P.M SHARP.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR INCURABLES, DONNYBROOK, DUBLIN, a collection of High-class Wines and Spirits of Choice Vintages and age, including:—J. J. & Son 15 years, John Power & Son Three Swallow, and Scotch Black and White; best known brands of Old Vintage Champagnes, Ports, Sherries, and Clarets, &c., &c. The entire proceeds will be handed to this most deserving Dublin Charity, which is £11,000 in debt. This Hospital is entirely supported by voluntary contributions, all patients being admitted free of charge. Admission to Sale by Catalogue only, price 1/-. each.

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15 Springers on 1st and 2nd Calf to pure-bred Hereford Bull.
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12 2-and-3-year-old Bullocks.
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SALE ON MONDAY NEXT OF ATTRACTIVE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS AT
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Sale at 11 o'clock sharp. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. Auction Fees.

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GARDEN, FARM, BEES, ETC.

ALL Owners of Gardens to ensure best results should Sow Drummond's specially tested Vegetable and Flower Seeds; awarded over 1,000 First Prizes.—W. Drummond and Sons, 57 and 58 Dawson street T

ALL should inspect Drummond's Large and Varied Stock of Unique Christmas Presents in their new special showroom, 58 Dawson street. 11 12

ALL Certified Stocks Duke of York, Sharpe's Express, Epicure, Arran Comrade, Kerr's Pink, and other Seed Potatoes at Drummond's, 58 Dawson street. 11 12

A LARGE display of Palms, Aspidistras, Asparagus Ferns, Aralias, Cyclamen, and other Flowering Plants; Bulbs in Ornamental Bowls, etc.—Drummond's, 58 Dawson street. 11 12

APPLE Trees—Bramleys, the most profitable variety, 12 good bushes, 15/-; stronger, 20/- and 24/-; 12 best varieties early, late, and mid-season, from my catalogue, 3 years grafted, 18/6; small, 2 years, 2-3 feet high, 12/6, carriage paid, cash with order. Catalogues of Fruit, Forest Trees, Shrubs, Roses, and Hedge Plants free.—Nash, Athlone. 16 1

ALL Irish Judges—Photographs in the Calendar Supplement given free with the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. F

ANEMONES—St. Bridgid, first sized roots, in glorious colour mixture, dozen 1/9, 100 12/6, post free.—Rowan's, 51, 52 Capel street, Dublin. 10 A

BRADSHAW, 15 Parliament street and Artane—Holly Wreaths and Crosses, Artificial Flowers, Palms, etc., for Christmas decoration.

BRADSHAW—Privet, Thorn Quicks and Fruit Trees. Inquiries solicited.

BRAMLEY Seedlings, Best Cooking and Eating Apples; market prices; carriage paid on 1 cwt. Address "Z 4814, Apples," this office. 6 X

BOX Edging, well rooted, strong Plants, 2/- 100, free.—Mrs. McKeever, Batterstown. 11 F

CORN Bins, Farm Boilers, Feeding Troughs.—The Dairy Engineering Co. of Ireland, Ltd., 21-22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 5 E

CHRISTMAS Fruits, Christmas Fruits, Christmas Fruits, Christmas Fruits—Arriving to-day, one hundred tons of Fruit for Christmas trade, comprising of Winesaps, York Imperials, Golden Russets, Oregan Newtowns, Jonathans, Spitzenburgs, Kings, Greenings, at from 1/- quarter stone, 3/9 stone; Jaffa Oranges 1/6 dozen; we are only stocking sweet, juicy oranges from the extreme south of Spain. Denias and Murcias at from 20 for 1/-. Hot House Grapes, four crowns quality, at 2/6 lb. Dessert Pears 1/3 quarter stone, Tunis Dates 7d. box, Tomatoes 8d. lb., Almeria Grapes 10d. lb. (Dalias quality), Onions 1/6 stone, finest Figs 8d. lb., Dates 4d., Prunes 8d. lb., Nuts, etc., etc., etc. We take this opportunity to thank most heartily and sincerely our customers for their unstinted support during year 1924. Dublin now consumes more fruit than any other city. Wishing everybody a happy Xmas and a bright, prosperous New Year.—Morgan's Fruit Market, Talbot street, Dublin. Telephone, 1272. Telegrams, "Tomatoes." P.S.—For Good Value purchase your Fruit by weight. You won't be kept waiting, as orders are despatched ex warehouse.

HYACINTHUS Candicans, the Great Snow White Summer Hyacinth, a hardy shrubbery plant, bearing drooping white ivory bell shaped flowers on 3-4 foot stem, 2/6 dozen, 15/- 100, post free.—Rowan's, Bulb Merchants, 51, 52 Capel street, Dublin. 10 A

HAY for Sale, First Crop and Upland, exceptionally well saved; also Oats.—Mireen, Dundrum. 11 F

LILIUM Tigrinum Splendens, the Spotted Tiger Lily, black polished stems, 6 ft., with pyramid of bright scarlet flowers, spotted crimson, each 1/-, dozen 9/-, post free.—Rowan's, Bulb Merchants, 51, 52 Capel street, Dublin. 10 A

NOTED Irishmen—Names of Prize-winners in this Competition are published to-day in the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." F

POWER'S Nurseries for Forest Trees, Fruit Trees, Roses and Ornamental Shrubs; Rhubarb, Seakale, Vegetable Plants, etc. Write for Catalogue.—Wm. Power and Co., Waterford. 12 F

POWER'S Selected Seed Wheat, Winter Oats, Field Peas, Beans, Seed Potatoes, Potato Onions, etc. Write for quotations.—Wm. Power and Co., Waterford, Nurserymen and Seedmerchants. 12 F

POTATOES—Carroll's best, 10/6 per cwt., delivered city.—128 Upper Dorset street. 26 20

ROWAN'S Nursery Catalogue of Fruit Trees and Roses will be posted free on request to every enquirer. Write to-day.—51, 52 Capel street, Dublin. 10 A

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WHEAT—Choicest samples of Imported, Double Stand-Up, Square Head Master, Marshal Foch, Yeoman, Swedish Iron. Quotation posted on request.—Rowan's, Seed Merchants, 51, 52 Capel street, Dublin. 10 A

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AT Kimmage Grove, Terenure. 'Phone, 443 Rathmines—Settings now ready from 8/6 per dozen; Fresh Eggs delivered daily, city and suburbs. 10 A

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AFRICAN Grey and Green Parrots, lovely pets and talkers, finger tame.—A. Keegan, 35 Upper Ormond quay. 8 12

BREEDING Cockerels, Rhodes, Wyandottes, Leghorns (black), from famous strains, trapnested stock, from 15/-.—Medcalf, Cooleven, Clondalkin (adjoining railway station). 9 B

BEAUTIFUL American Bronze Turkey Cockerel, April hatched, about 20 lbs. weight, stock bird; cheap.—Byrne, Glenculien, Kilternan.

BANTAMS, Game and "Variety," charming presents for children, cheap.—King, Coshquin, Londonderry. 11 B

BROODY Hen for Sale; good mother.—10 Waltham terrace, Blackrock.

COCKERELS—Light Sussex, from Bentley gold medal, best average, Walmisley Cup, best grade; Black Leghorn, Metcalf, gold medal; R.I.R., Golden pen, beating all others (pen White Leghorns excepted); K.O. Drakes, Oscar Brown special, daughters ex Campbell drake (dam 287).—Finegan, Moatlands, Navan. 8 E

CHRISTMAS Presents—That live Cock Canary and Fancy Cage, 30/-; Pet Mice, 1/-; Pet Rabbits, 2/6; Parrot and Cage from 40/-; Pet Monkeys; Goldfish, 6d., 9d., 1/-, 1/6 each; Globes from 1/-.—The Fancier's Stores, 15 Upper Ormond quay, Dublin. 9 B

CHRISTMAS Delights—For old and young in the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." On sale to-day, price threepence. Calendar Supplement, with Photos. of all Irish Judges, given free. F

CHEAP Turkeys—Best Irish, any weight, 1/2 lb., cash with order.—Gleeson, Bank place, Nenagh.

DAIRY Utensils, Churns, Butterworkers, all Dairy Utensils.—The Dairy Engineering Co. of Ireland, Ltd., 21 and 22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 5 E

DUCKS—Mrs. Harvey's prize winning strain Khaki Campbells, wonderful layers, 10/- each; Drake 12/-.—Donovan, Camolin. 8 E

DELICIOUS Hot Buttered Eggs, current price; 10 dozen weekly. Address "Z 4939, Eggs," this office. 11 F

FISH, Game, Poultry, Ice—Baltimore Stores, Cork; deliveries post, rail; established 1880. T

FOR Sale, 2 Ancona and 4 W. Wyandotte Cockerels, 280 egg strain; 3 K. C. Drakes and 6 Ducks, Capt. Long's direct, all ringed by Department, 10/6 each on rail; 3 two year old A. B. Turkey Hens and 2 young Cocks, 20lbs. weight.—Mrs. Browne, Lakeview, Enniskillen. 11 F

HATCHING Eggs—White Wyandotte, pens headed by cockerels from Barron and Mrs. Porter Porter; 8/-, post free.—Henry, Luttrellstown, Clonsilla. 8 E

INCUBATORS and Brooders—Get the "Gloucester," the greatest success of the age.—The Dairy Engineering Co. of Ireland, Ltd., 21-22 Bachelor's Walk, Dublin. 5 E

KHAKI Campbell Drake, pure bred, 7/6.—D'Olier, Newtownmountkennedy.

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PRIZE Silkies—Choice Xmas present, beautiful snow white trio, winners; 35/-.—Alice O'Brien, Pollerton road, Carlow.

PURE Bred Wyandotte Cockerel, February hatched, beautiful bird; 12/6, free. Address "Z 4923, Poultry," this office.

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SPLENDID Roasting Fowls and Ducks, 8/- pair; Heavy Boilers, 6/-; Fat Geese, 7/6 each; Prime Turkeys, from 18/-, post free.—Miss Parker, Rosscarbery, Cork. 8 F

SPLENDID Large Roasting Fowls and Ducks, 6/6 pair; Heavy Fattened Geese, 7/6 each; Beautiful Turkeys, 14/- each; trussed, post free, cash.—Miss Forbes, Park House, Rosscarbery. 10 A

TWO Hen Homes for Sale, one double, one single.—Aviemore, Victoria road, Clontarf.

WANTED, any quantity good, clean Trapped Rabbits, Game, Poultry, etc.; best market prices guaranteed; sales daily, bank references.—Thompson Bros., Market, Dewsbury. 12 8

WANTED, Fat Geese, Turkeys, and Hens; best prices guaranteed; prompt cash on deliveries; all correspondence answered; labels on application. Apply T. Matthews, 41 Noah's Ark road, Dover, England. 8 10

WHITE Leghorn Pullets, pure bred, commencing to lay.—Irvine, Rockford Cottage, Blackrock. 9 F

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1923 PULLETS—Wyandottes, Minorcas, Leghorns, laying, 7/6 each; First Crosses, auburn, 1923, 6/6; 1924 Runner Ducks, laying, 7/6.—Alexander, Bunbury Gardens, Rathmines. 9 F

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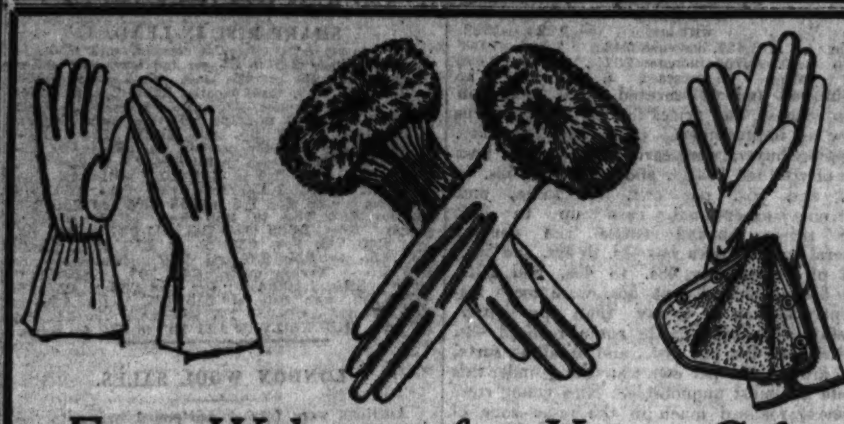

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BARGAIN—Mackintosh, full length, white Cape, cost £3; Patent Shoes, low heels (fours); Mole Silk Jumper; lot 30/-.—D 1184, this office.

CASH paid for Left Off Clothes, Jewellery, Pictures, China, False Teeth; postcard immediate attention. Telephone 435, Rathmines.—Wellington House, 35 Wellington quay. T

FOR Sale, Costume and Blouses, and Knitted Dress, cheap; stamp. Address "Z 4910, Costume," this office.

FOR Sale, Flame Colour Georgette Evening Gown, trimmed ostrich feathers, as new, present fashion, medium size; also Gold Shoes and Stockings. Address "Z 4943, Dress," this office.

FOR Sale, two Costumes, Brown Velour and Tweed; also Donegal Tweed Coat; suit tall person; cheap.—D 1193, this office. 11 F

FURS—Large quantity of Fur Stoles and Capes, also some good Fur Coats, Ladies' and Gent's Umbrellas to Sell cheap.—Railway Lost Property, 51, over Sackville Picture House, Dublin. 9 X

GREY Ride Astride Coat, good condition, medium figure; cost £9, take £2 2/-; approval, reference. Address "Z 4866, Coat," this office. 9 E

HANDSOME Fur Natural Seal Coat, slight figure, £8. Seen Crooke, Duke street, Dublin.

HANDSOME Navy Tailormade, worn three times, cost £10, accept £5, 30-36-38; Nigger Costume, 30/-; Ermine Tie, 15/-; Black Satin Frock, Lace Evening Frock, £1 each. Address "Z 4957, Dress," this office.

LADY'S Pleated Black Silk Skirt, 34", 9/6; Beaded Black Stockinette Coatee, 10/-, perfect. Address "Z 4912, Skirt," this office. 10 E

LADY has Youth's Outgrown Dress Suit for Sale, good condition, cost 8 guineas (Switzer's), sell £3; sell in Dublin only. Address "Z 4947, Dress," this office. 11 F

NEW Beaver Coney Coat, full length, cost 20 guineas; a genuine bargain; what offers?—D 1112, this office. 10 A

NATURAL Seal Coat, slight figure, ¾ length, beautiful skin; £8 or nearest offer. Seen Crooke, Duke street, Dublin.

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WANTED, Winter Coat; good condition.—D 1058, this office. 9 F

WANTED, White Ermine Stole; state lowest price. Address "Z 4919, Dress," this office.

HORSES, HARNESS, ETC.

CHESTNUT Axworthy Colt, 14 hands, fully trained to all traffic, aged 4; perfectly quiet; can be driven by a lady.—D 1110, this office. 10 A

FOR Sale, Bay Gelding, 7 years old, good hunter over any country, sound; winner two point to points; 15.2½; hunted by lady. Address "Z 4867, Gelding," this office. 8 E

HARNESS—Secondhand Cart and Van Harness for Sale.—John Farrelly and Son, Hawkins street. Established 1820. 10 C

LARGE quantity of Harness, Saddles, Traces, Plough Back Bands, Girths, Bridles, etc.; also lot of Scrap Leather and Scrap Iron. Sale by Auction, Thursday next, at 12 o'clock, 49 Middle Abbey street.—Battersby, Auctioneers, Dublin. 11 D

WANTED, good Hackney Cob, about 15 hands, good hind action, quiet, for lady to drive in traffic; sound; state price, where to be seen. Address "Z 4917, Cob," this office. 11 F

VEHICLES.

ALESBURY TRAPS.

NOTED GOLD MEDAL TUB, TONNEAU, ALL WEATHER AND HOODED CARS, SEVERAL CHEAP SECONDHAND CARS. Catalogue from ALESBURY BROS., EDENDERRY, KING'S CO. Showrooms: 3 LINCOLN PLACE, Westland Row, Dublin.

ARCHER'S Sale, To-day (Friday), 12th December—A couple of Four Wheel Horse Lorries, two strong Floats, two Timber Drays, several Sets and some odd-ments of Harness.—New Wapping street, North Wall, Dublin. 10 E

GLASS Hearse for Sale, rubber tyred, light running; also few Sets Silver Mounted Double Harness; all in new condition.—Hugh O'Kane and Co., Donegall street, Belfast. 9 F

NEW Milk or Light Delivery Float, at Forge, Clonturk avenue, Drumcondra. Cheap 10 F

RUBBER Tyres, all sizes, fitted at short notice.—The City Wheel Works Ltd., Great Brunswick street, Dublin. T

SPRING Cart for Sale, fit 11 to 12 hands.—10 Waltham terrace, Blackrock.

WHEELS Re-Rubbered with best rubber, best fitted, and cheapest at Ryan's Rubber Tyreing Works, 44a North Brunswick street. 4 X

CATTLE, LIVE STOCK.

COWS for Sale—Kerries, springers and newly calved, also pure bred Jerseys.—Glenageary Park, Glenageary, Kingstown. 10 A

FERRETS, few picked liners, 14/-; others 12/-; large Nets, mounted, 1/-; 50 yard Field Net, 25/-.—Lindsay, Roscrea. 8 8

FERRETS, 10/- each; Rabbit Nets, best, 6/- dozen. King, 118 Capel street, Dublin. 9 F

FLUKE in Sheep and Cattle, Big Gall, and Wasting Disease in Cattle, absolutely cured by "Jones' Australian Fluke Powders"—treatment for sheep and year old cattle, 3/4; older cattle, 4/4.—Agency, 11 Leinster road, West, Dublin. 11 B

GOATS for Sale, two Nannies, 2 years old, well bred. Apply Deepwell, Blackrock, Dublin. 11 B

MAGNIFICENT Reg. 3 year old Friesian Bull for Sale; great stock getter; first good offer. Address "Z 4848, Bull," this office. 9 F

SHEEP—40 superior, well conditioned Horny Ewes, carrying lambs, 46/- each. Address "Z 4927, Sheep," this office.

4 MAGNIFICENT Blue Persian Kittens for Sale.—The Fancier's Stores, 15 Upper Ormond quay, Dublin. 9 B

DOGS.

A GREAT Dog Show, Corn Exchange, Dublin, Boxing Day. Entries close 13/12/24, Secretary, Finnoeberg, Kilmainham, Dublin. 9 F

ALL Irish Judges—Photographs in the Calendar Supplement given free with the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. F

ALSATIAN Bitch, 18 months, champion pedigree, gentle disposition, insured £20; sell nearest offer. Address "Z 4946, Dog," this office.

A WELL Bred Wire Fox Terrier; good companion; cheap. Rear 68 Waterloo road.

A SPLENDID Xmas Present—Wire Haired Fox Terrier Puppies, prize pedigree, very healthy, nicely marked, 3 months; carriage paid.—Kilbride, Mitchelstown. 11 B

AIREDALE Dog Wanted, about 7 months; state price and where seen.—D 1166, this office.

BLACK Cockers, pedigree, two females, three months, well grown, already retrieving; reasonable.—Mason, Lambay, Rush, Co. Dublin. 8 E

BARGAINS—Lovely Christmas Gifts, White Pomeranian Puppies, little snowballs; what offers? Address "Z 4920, Dogs," this office.

BROWN Curly Water Spaniel, just reared litter, Exchange Working Cocker, or sell. Address "Z 4924, Dogs," this office. 11 F

BLACK Cocker Dog, 15 months, by Black Prince out of Peasty. Apply D 1188, this office. 11 B

BEAUTIFUL Prize Bred Litters Wire Fox Terriers, Toy Yorkshire Terriers, Pomeranians, and splendid young Irish Terrier; choice ratters; all champion pedigrees; moderate.—"Ulsterville," Avondale road, Princeborough.

FOUR Pedigree Female Kerry Blue Pups, 3 months, parents registered; 25/- each. Address "Z 4922, Dogs," this office. 11 B

FOR Sale, Cocker Puppies, born October 13th; pedigree on application; four guineas each.—Murphy, Crag, Rostrevor. 11 B

KERRY Blue—Two fine Pups, dog and bitch, six months old, by Champion Rog Tailteann. Apply T. Sheridan, Esker, Lucan, Co. Dublin. 9 F

NICE Wire Fox Terrier Dog, 16 months, champion pedigree; cheap.—Moore, Bank, Armagh. 11 B

POMERANIANS for Sale, chocolate colour, 3 months old. Apply to 16 Corrig avenue, Dun Laoghaire. 8 C

POINTER Dog, all months, sacrifice £1; Brown Cocker Dog, two months, £1. Address "Z 4931, Dog," this office. 10 E

DOGS CONTINUED.

POMERANIANS, Miniature Puppies, Blacks, Sables, 4½ months; champion pedigree.—64 Rathgar avenue. 10 A

PEKINGESE Puppy for Sale, champion bred; lovely Xmas Gift.—Meldon, Clonallan, Greystones. 10 A

SALE, Trained Irish Red Setter, 2 years old, also Red Setter Pups, 10 weeks old; best offers. Address "Z 4900, Dogs," this office. 10 E

SALE, Wire Bitch, 2 months, by Twosteps Double of Mountainview—Nancy Lee, both grandsires by Champion Brakesmere Benedict; 3 guineas.—Marsden, Killeaney, Mountrath.

SETTER Dog, handsome, perfectly trained, 18 months (Brian of Boyne). Apply Briscoe, Castlerea. 7 X

"THE Irish Field" is the official organ of the Irish Kennel Club, and contains exclusive news and reports. At all newsagents. Every Saturday. Price 2d. T

WANTED, Large Bitch for foster mother, due about 15th. 'Phone, Ballsbridge, 2. 10 A

WANTED, Retriever, any class, trained; dog who would hunt preferred. Apply, stating price, Kennedy, 35 High street, Belfast. 10 A

WANTED, Kerry Blue Male Puppy for companion, show points immaterial; state lowest price.—Mrs. Russell, 17 Rathgar avenue, Rathgar, Dublin. 11 B

BUSINESS, BUSINESS PREMISES, LANDS, ETC.

SALE AND WANTED.

A SECOND Floor Office to Let, electric light.—12 St. Andrew street. T

AN Office to Let at 4 and 5 Burgh quay. 11 B

AT South side—Shop, with living apartments, to be Let.—North and Co., Grafton street. 5 X

BEAUTIFUL Shop and Basement for Sale, only a few doors from O'Connell street; long lease; moderate rent.—D 857, this office. 12 5

BEST Woodcock Shooting in Ireland, 1,500 acres, good mixed shooting. Full particulars, Eccles Hotel, Glengarriff, Co. Cork. 12 X

CHRISTMAS Delights—For old and young in the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." On sale to-day, price threepence. Calendar Supplement, with Photos. of all Irish Judges, given free. F

CAMDEN street—Business Premises, with Residence; good position; £1,500.—Holden, Auctioneers, Saint Andrew street.

FURNITURE Store or Workshop to Let, rear Rathmines road, near bridge; splendid enclosed premises, newly decorated.—D 720, this office. 10 F

GARAGE, with loft, electric light, to Let; suit store.—1 Harcourt terrace. 10 A

GARAGE (Kingstown), recently built, water service, washing table; moderate terms.—D 1057, this office.

GARAGE to Let on long lease, covered in, 75' x 35'; beside Harcourt street Station—D 1204, this office. 11 B

HOTEL, with Furniture, Going Concern; near Amiens street Terminus; £2,500.—Messrs. Holden, Auctioneers, Saint Andrew street.

KINGSTOWN—Excellent modern Garage; rent £4 per quarter.—D 1067, this office. T

LARGE Building, near South quays, to Let, suitable for Stores. Address "Z 3642, Stores," this office.

MacARTHUR'S Property Auction, Friday next, will include "Wallace's," 45 Moore street, well established Butcher's Business as Going Concern, with vacant possession to purchaser. 9 F

MacARTHUR'S Property Auction, Friday next, will include 9a Findlater place, Shop and House, with possession to purchaser. 9 F

MacARTHUR'S Auction, Friday next, will include Garrick's, Bridge street, Balbriggan; Shop and House, with possession to purchaser. 9 F

MacARTHUR'S Auction, Friday next, will include 68 North King street; Shop and House, with possession to purchaser. 9 F

NASSAU street—Two second floor Offices to Let.—D 963, this office. 8 E

SHIRT Factory for Sale; large premises, fitted with up to date Power Machinery and all necessary requirements.—D 989, this office. 8 E

STORE, Upper Dorset street, to be Sold, Freehold, £500.—Devenish, 112 Phibsborough road; telephone—Drumcondra, 73. 10 E

SHOP to Let, weekly, Talbot street, near station. Apply Manager, 45 Talbot street. 11 B

STORE or Workshops (Belfast) for Sale; suit almost any business; all mains in for power, light, telephone; low ground rent; long lease.—Box No. 1547, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast. 9 F

TWO large Warerooms, 15 Wicklow street, large Suite Offices, 24 Suffolk street, to Let; reasonable rents. Apply Montgomery's, Gainsboro' House. 24 27

TO Let, well equipped Clothing Factory, central position, accommodation for 80/90 employes; modern machinery; also Office and Stockrooms if necessary. Machinery for Rent or Sale.—D 987, this office. 8 E

TO Let, extensive Premises at rear of 70 Merrion square. 10 A

TO Let, small Workshop or Store, in central position; moderate rent. Apply D 1075, this office. 10 A

WANTED, Office, large, good appearance and entrance essential; ground or first floor; must be central.—D 1078, this office. F

HOUSES AND LANDS FOR SALE.

AT Rathmines—Semi-detached non-basement Modern House, £1,050.—North and Co., Grafton street. 5 X

AT Rathgar—Semi-detached House, 9 apartments, electric light, hot bath, garden; £1,500.—North and Co., Grafton street. 5 X

AT Blackrock—Semi-detached non-basement House, 8 apartments; £1,400.—North and Co., Grafton street. 5 X

AT Donnybrook—Compact House, 8 apartments, hot bath, garden; £1,100; offers.—North and Co., Grafton street. 5 X

AT Kingstown—Large House, 15 rooms, 3 bathrooms; suitable for hotel or letting in flats. Terms, North and Co., Grafton street. 5 X

APPLY Corbett, 18 Ormond quay, re Purchasing your home by easy instalments. 8 A

ALL Irish Judges—Photographs in the Calendar Supplement given free with the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. F

AT 75 Lindsay road—House to be Sold, 5 bedrooms, 2 reception rooms, kitchen, scullery, pantry; 4 out-offices; nice fruit garden; electric light; immediate possession. Seen 11 to 1 p.m. 10 A

A NEW House, with garage, on Mayfield road, Terenure, to be Sold.—Fitzgerald and Leonard, Terenure. 9 F

AT Ely place—Whole House for Sale; vacant possession. Apply Leinster Woollen Co., 2 Talbot street. 10 A

AT Drumcondra—For Sale, Modern House, containing three bedrooms, sittingroom, kitchen, scullery, bath (h. and c.), electric light throughout, also gas; perfect condition; lease 900 years; price £750.—D 1157, this office. 11 B

COTTAGE style House, North Strand; possession; price £350 to immediate purchaser. Keys with MacArthur and Co., House and Land Agents, 79 Talbot street, Dublin. 9 F

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CHOICE Houses, Burdett avenue, Albert road, Sandycove, Kingstown, Dalkey, Glenageary to Dublin suburbs; possession. Apply Mesabey, House Agent, Albert Villa, Albert road, Sandycove. 11 B

DRUMCONDRA—Good Residence; possession; price £850. Keys with MacArthur's. 9 F

DESIRABLE nice House, Furniture, Fittings, garage, after Christmas.—D 1182, this office.

FINGLAS—Newly built Detached Residence, very large gardens; possession; price £475. Orders to view from MacArthur's. 9 F

FOR Sale by Private Treaty, a first class Residential Farm of 100 Irish acres up to 250 acres, with excellent extensive outoffices, hay sheds, etc.; every convenience. The lands are all in grass and are well known for their fattening properties. The whole Farm is held Free of Rent for Ever. For full particulars apply John G. Steel, M.I.A.A., Portarlington. 9 B

FOR Sale, Freehold Farm, 39 acres, near Castlederg, Co. Tyrone; good dwelling.—H. C. Baxter, 8 Rugby road, Belfast. 10 A

FAIRVIEW, Philipsburgh avenue—Possession, attractive bay windowed Dwellinghouse; two sittingrooms, four bedrooms, hot bath, modern conveniences; £650.—Messrs. Holden, Auctioneers, Saint Andrew street.

HOUSE, 2 acres, garden, orchard, paddock, also 8 acres meadow; 3 sitting, 6 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, scullery, etc.; coachhouse, stable, etc.; over £200 lately expended repairs, improvements; £1,000.—Matthews, Firdale (near Woodstown), Rossduff, Waterford. 11 B

KENILWORTH Park—An attractive modern non-basement Residence, with possession, every convenience, 2 sitting, 4 bedrooms, maid's room, bathroom; will Sell on reduced terms. Apply Battersby and Co., Westmoreland street. 8 E

LARGE House, Kildare street, for Sale; close to Shelbourne Hotel; suit warerooms, hotel, etc. Apply C. M. Meade, Solicitor, 16 Molesworth street. 8 E

The House for Men.

Pullovers, Cardigans, Shirts, Pyjamas, Dressing Gowns, Underwear, Socks, Golf Hose, Scarves, Ties, Gloves, Hats.

"The House for Men" are Men's wear Specialists, merchandising only what it can guarantee. There is no longer need for made-to-measure shirts and collars.

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Lounge Suits, £7 : 7 to £5 : 5
Dinner Suits, £8 : 18 : 6 to £7 : 15
Overcoats, £7 : 7 to £3 : 15
Raincoats, £5 : 15 to £3 : 3
Waterproof Riding Coats, £3 : 3

W. J. Kelly, 87 Grafton St.

HOUSES AND LANDS CONTINUED.

MacARTHUR'S Property Auction, Friday next, will include 13 Brighton terrace, Ringsend road. Vacant possession to purchaser. 9 F

MacARTHUR'S Auction, Friday next, will include 11 North Leinster street, North Strand, with vacant possession to purchaser. 9 F

MacARTHUR'S Auction, Friday next, will include 74 Leinster avenue, North Strand, with vacant possession to purchaser. 9 F

MacARTHUR'S Property Auction, Friday next, will include 3 St. John's terrace, Clontarf; Modern House, with possession to purchaser. 9 F

NEAR Nelson Pillar—Good House, perfect order; possession; price £575. Keys with MacArthur's. 9 F

NORTH Strand vicinity—Possession, Modern House, 5 apartments; price only £300 to immediate purchaser. Keys with MacArthur's. 9 F

N.C.R. Vicinity—Modern House; possession; price £850; part cash sufficient. Keys with MacArthur's. 9 F

NOTED Irishmen—Names of Prize-winners in this Competition are published to-day in the Christmas Number of the "Weekly Irish Times." F

NORTH Circular road, near Mountjoy square—Seven rooms, hot bath.—Holden, Auctioneer, Saint Andrew street.

RANELAGH—Possession, Cottage style House, good long garden; price £400. Orders to view from MacArthur's. 9 F

RATHGAR Vicinity—Neat House, 7 apartments, bath; price £875; possession. Keys with MacArthur's. 9 F

SALE, with possession, Modern House, six apartments, long lease, low head rent, vicinity Casimir road.—D 1162, this office. 11 F

TERENURE—With possession, Modern House; price £650. Keys with MacArthur's. 9 F

WATERLOO road—Desirable Residence; 2 reception, 5 bedrooms, electric light, good garden. Further particulars from Garvey and Good, 21 Lincoln place. 11 F

HOUSES TO LET.

FURNISHED four roomed House to Let for six months, North side.—D 1039, this office. 9 F

SMALL Furnished House to Let, near Tallaght; £8 monthly.—D 1165, this office. 11 F

TERENURE—Three sitting, five bedrooms, non basement, garage; £150 and rates.—Arthur Jones, Son, Greystones. 9 F

HOUSES WANTED.

FURNISHED House required immediately, small, compact, either in Terenure, Dartry, Ballsbridge, or Rathgar district, from two to six months; would pay £16 monthly for suitable residence.—D 1205, this office. 11 F

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RENT or Purchase, Residence, cottage type, garden or land attached, city, seaside, or country; state terms. Address "Z 4828, House," this office. 8 E

WANTED, Small House, or Half Large House, or Self Contained Flat; to rent, Unfurnished; from early January.—D 952, this office. 8 E

WANTED to Purchase, with possession, small modern House, Ballsbridge, Dartry, Rathgar, Harold's Cross or Terenure district; price must be reasonable.—D 1011, this office. 9 F

WANTED to Rent by good and careful tenant, for from three to six months or longer, nice small Furnished House, Ballsbridge, Dartry or Terenure district. Apply immediately, stating rent required, D 1010, this office. 9 F

WANTED to Purchase, small, compact modern House, Terenure, Rathgar, Ballsbridge, Dartry district; price up to £1,000.—D 1207, this office.

WANTED, large Unfurnished or Partly Furnished House in or around Dublin; fine paid on lease. Apply Garland and Co., 57 Dame street. 11 B

WANTED, for one month or longer, small House or Flat, convenient to town; two bedrooms essential; £5 monthly.—R O 1413, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

APARTMENTS TO LET.

DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

APARTMENTS Agency—Lists on application; Flats, Board Residence, Furnished Apartments.—Miss White, 25 Nassau street. 7 T

ACCOMMODATION, Board, Apartments, Flats; city or suburbs; lists free. Call Nelson's, 2 North Earl street (second door from Pillar).

APARTMENTS, select, bath, etc.; Board as desired; gentlemen.—30 Waverley avenue, Fairview. 8 E

ACCOMMODATION, visitors or permanent; Full or Partial Board.—35 Upper Leeson street. 9 F

A FURNISHED Hall Flat, every convenience, Upper Rathmines; 30/-.—D 1066, this office. 9 F

A COMFORTABLY Furnished Sittingroom, two Double Bedrooms, Kenilworth Park; hot bath, electric light, use kitchen.—D 1033, this office. 9 E

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AT 29 Kildare street—Visitors or permanent; opposite Museum. 9 F

AT Auburn House, Herbert street—Select Board Residence; visitors or permanent. 10 A

AT 28 Ellesmere avenue, N.C. road, Phoenix Park—Bedroom, Board, for single lady.

BALLSBRIDGE—Furnished Bedroom, Sittingroom, Kitchenette, suit married couple. Seen, 1 to 4, 2 Churchill terrace, Sandymount avenue. 11 B

BEDROOM, use sittingroom; suit two gentlemen dining out.—81 Upper Leeson street. 11 B

CLONTARF—To Let, Furnished Flat, three rooms; or would Let separately.—D 983, this office. 8 E

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DUNDRUM—Attractive Unfurnished Flat, three, four, or five rooms, kitchenette, use bath; motor 'bus passes door; vacant January; rent moderate.—D 991, this office. 9 F

DO you wish to get or Set a Flat or House? Put it on books of City Service Bureau, 85 Grafton street. 10 A

FLATS to Let, Furnished or Unfurnished; adults only. Apply Caretaker, 18 Harcourt street. 10 A

FURNISHED Bedroom, single, 10/- weekly, gas cooker, Sandymount avenue.—D 1159, this office.

FLAT, three apartments, bathroom, kitchenette, or service optional; well Furnished, electric 'Phone, 2539 Dublin.

FIRST Floor Flat, every convenience, telephone; 30/- weekly. Address "Z 4929, Flat," this office.

FURNISHED Hall Flat to be Let, six months from January; double bedroom, sittingroom; central, good locality.—D 1199, this office.

GENTLEMAN offered first class Apartments, 20/- weekly; Board as required; South side.—D 1135, this office. 10 A

HANDSOMELY Furnished Combined Rooms to Let in Fitzwilliam square for any period, from 25/6 weekly; bath and attendance; Restaurant attached. Telephone, 3164. 8 E

LEESON Park—Furnished Flat, two bedrooms, sittingroom, and kitchen. Apply D 935, this office. 8 E

LARGE Front Bedroom; suit 3 business gentlemen; full or partial Board; home comforts; terms moderate. Apply 7 Rathmines terrace. 8 E

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NEWLY Decorated Furnished Flat; South side; every convenience.—D 1101, this office. 10 A

NICELY Furnished Apartments; sittingroom, bedroom, kitchenette; terms moderate.—10 Frankfort avenue. 11 F

ONE large or two medium Unfurnished Rooms to Let, conveniences, some attendance, suit business lady; 15/- weekly.—24 Lower Fitzwilliam street.

PART Furnished House, Leeson Park; owner absent; reliable maid left.—D 1168, this office.

ROOM, with care and attendance, offered lady needing looking after and minding; every home comforts; also Yard for pets if required; South suburbs.—D 967, this office. 8 E

TWO business ladies can have comfortable Bedroom and Sittingroom; moderate; South side.—D 970, this office. 8 E

TO Let, Flat, containing 2 large rooms (back and front), also kitchenette, nice position, convenient to city; moderate terms; Drumcondra.—D 1019, this office. 9 F

UNFURNISHED Hall Flat to Let.—57 Fitzwilliam square. 8 E

WELL Furnished Self Contained Flat, vacant, good road, Pembroke district; £2 10/- weekly.—D 1053, this office. 9 F

7 WOODSTOCK Gardens, Ranelagh—Comfortable combined Room, no attendance. Call before five. 11 B

20 PEMBROKE road—Drawingrooms, Bed and Sittingrooms; also combined Rooms; suit ladies or gentlemen, or couple; cooking, attendance.

59 HOLLYBANK road—Full or Partial Board comfortable accommodation, bath (hot and cold); terms moderate. 8 E

74 LOWER Leeson street—Select Furnished Apartments, with or without cooking, attendance. 9 F

APARTMENTS WANTED.

CIVIL Servant requires Lodging, with full board, quiet house; no other boarders preferred; reasonable terms.—D 1064, this office. 9 F

GENTLEWOMAN requires Furnished Flat for self and maid, South side, Fitzwilliam square vicinity; terms 30/- to £2 weekly; permanency. Address "Z 4942, Flat," this office.

NELSON'S want Board, Apartments and Flats in every district of city and suburbs; no charge whatever for putting your name on our lists.—2 North Earl street (second door from Pillar). 68 23

TWO Gentlemen require Select Apartments, Protestant, from 1st January; full or partial board; South side; moderate.—D 1155, this office.

UNFURNISHED Self Contained Flat required, good locality, three rooms, kitchenette, bathroom.—D 1104, this office. 10 A

WANTED, Four Roomed Unfurnished Self Contained Flat.—D 1043, this office. 9 F

WANTED, nice Flat on ground floor, Furnished, Unfurnished (latter preferred); state full particulars.—D 1129, this office. 10 A

WANTED, comfortable Furnished Rooms, with cooking and attendance, two bedrooms, one sittingroom, for a few weeks, near Stephen's Green.—D 1125, this office. 10 F

WANTED, Small Flat or House, Unfurnished, vicinity North Circular road or Rathmines.—D 1085, this office. 10 E

WANTED, Unfurnished Flat, three or four rooms; no children; North side preferred.—D 1170, this office. 11 B

WANTED, from 19th December to January 3rd, Furnished Bedroom in quiet house.—R O 1414, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

YOUNG Lady requires comfortable Apartments, Leeson street vicinity.—D 1173, this office. 11 B

APARTMENTS WANTED CONTINUED.

YOUNG Lady (dining out) requires select comfortable Apartments (attendance); South side; moderate.—D 938, this office. 8 E

SEASIDE AND COUNTRY.

HOUSES TO LET AND WANTED.

A DETACHED Furnished House Let till end of May; reasonable to careful tenant.—"House," Winnett's, Dalkey.

BLACKROCK—Advertisements for "Irish Times" received at 41 Main street up to 3.30 p.m. for following day's Paper. T

GREYSTONES, 6 miles, 1 from station—4 roomed Cottage, ¼ acre, £105; freehold; possession; stamp.—Arthur Jones, Son, Greystones. 11 B

IMMEDIATE Cash given for Detached or Semi Detached Modern House, with possession, standing half acre ground; 3 sitting, 4 bedrooms; vicinity Blackrock to Dalkey; no agents.—D 1190, this office. 11 B

SANDYCOVE—Wanted, small House; state rent. Advertiser Sell eight roomed, vicinity. Address "Z 4945, House," this office.

SUTTON—To Let, Detached Bungalow, eight apartments; possession. Apply Kay, Rothesay, Baldoyle road. 11 B

SKERRIES—Furnished Cottage, four rooms, winter months or longer; moderate.—Grimes, Howardville.

SMALL compact House, near Sandycove, to Let (partly furnished); every modern convenience; rent £90.—D 1200, this office. 11 B

WANTED, on Clontarf-Skerries line, five or six Roomed House, Furnished or Unfurnished. Apply, stating particulars, and giving monthly and yearly rent, to Thomas McGuinness, Town Clerk, Cavan. 9 F

WANTED, rent or purchase, Detached House, with garden; Baily, Howth; two sitting, four bedrooms, bath, water supply. Address "Z 4923, House," this office. 11 F

£63 AND Rates—Greystones—Partially Furnished; 4 bedrooms, bath; non-basement; stamp.—Arthur Jones, Greystones. 11 B

APARTMENTS TO LET AND WANTED.

BLACKROCK—23 Carysfort avenue, Furnished Apartments; moderate. 11 B

DUN Laoghaire—Apartments, to suit one person, full or partial board; nice position; moderate terms.—D 981, this office. 8 E

DUN Laoghaire—Drawingroom, Bedroom and Kitchenette to Let as Furnished Flat, select locality; terms 30/- weekly.—D 980, this office. 8 E

FURNISHED Flat, sea front, Monkstown, 25/- weekly; Furnished Room, 10/-.—D 953, this office. 8 E

HALL Flat to Let, sea front, Monkstown, two bedrooms, sittingroom, kitchenette, exclusive bath, garden; rent £75.—D 1108, this office. 10 A

KINGSTOWN—Furnished Apartments at the Blue Bird Hotel, Crofton road, with or without board. 9 F

LADY offers comfortable country Home to Gentlewomen, maid kept, for 10/- weekly; helpful and companionable with delicate lady; light duties. Address "Z 4926, Home," this office.

TO Let, Unfurnished or Partially, attractive Half House; best locality, Dun Laoghaire; space for garage.—D 1201, this office.

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IN Irish Lady's fine house—Flat of Furnished Rooms, one sittingroom, two bedrooms, separate kitchen, separate scullery, bath, electric, gas fires; most healthy, convenient; other Rooms if required. Write Resident, D'Orsay House, 28 Blessington road, Blackheath, London. 10 A

MISCELLANEOUS.

AT Sharpley's, Baby Linen Specialists—Ladies invited write for Catalogue. Baby Linen, Accouchement, Nursery Requisites.—Nassau street, Lower Camden street, Dublin. T

A CAPITAL Idea—Fox, Otter, Badger Skins, etc., cured, dressed, preserved, dyed, made up into beautiful large Furs; moderate charges; Furs and Coats repaired, cleaned, relined, latest styles.—Elberys, Practical Manufacturing Furriers, 74 Lower Camden street, and 18a Harcourt road, Dublin. 'Phone, 51212. T

ALL Typewriting well and expeditiously executed by Misses Watson, 85 Grafton street. 10 A

AT Tallon's Book Store, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "Toddles' Annual," full of stories for boys and girls; only 3/6. 11 B

AT Tallon's Book Store, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "Golden Year Book," with splendid tales for girls and boys—a grand Xmas present; only 5/-. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "School Girls' Own Annual," full of delightful stories—splendid for Xmas. Only 6/-. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "Robinson Crusoe"—a lovely edition for Children. Only 1/-. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "Hulton's Adventure Book for Boys." The boys love it. Only 5/-. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "Felix the Cat Comic Annual"—full of laughter. Only 2/6. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "Red Ashes" by Margaret Pedlar. An enchanting story. Only 7/6. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "A Gentleman of Courage," by J. Oliver Curwood 7/6. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy "The Circle o' the Stars," a glorious Indian story, by Joan Sutherland. 7/6. 11 B

AT Tallon's Book Store, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy all the latest Novels by popular authors, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy Pretty Christmas Cards to send to your friends. 11 B

AT Tallon's, 132 Stephen's Green—Buy lovely Art Calendars (Raphael Tuck's). Your friends and relatives will love them. 11 B

AT Tallon's Book Store, 132 Stephen's Green, you can buy lovely Books for the Kiddies, full of pictures and stories, from 9d. up to 5/-. 11 B

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BEAUTIFUL Old Jacobean China Cabinet, over 100 years.—Anderson, 79 Booterstown avenue. 10 A

CHINA, Glass, and Delph—Wholesale lists on application.—L. Freedman, 22a Merchant's quay. 26 4

CHRISTMAS Gifts—Irish Lace Table Mats from 1/6 each.—Gordon's, 44 and 22 Mary street, Dublin. 20 2

CHRISTMAS Presents, foreign goods, for Sale, for Zenana Mission; prices from 4d. up.—17 South Anne street, 11-5, except Saturday. 11 9

"CLOCK Repairing," my Speciality.—Walsh, Bedford row (Aston's quay). Personal attention given. 10 C

CI-LO-THARE, the great Hair Producer, stops Falling Hair, cures Baldness; remarkable success for over 27 years; bottles 2/-, 3/6, 4/6.—Hayes, Conyngham and Robinson, and all Chemists. 11 B

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FUR Sale—Owing to the huge success of our Sale, we have decided to keep open for one week longer. Fur Coats from 4 guineas. All stock must be cleared regardless of cost. Come and inspect.—City Fur Co., 6 Exchequer street (Warrens Hotel), next to Kellett's. Open each day, 10 to 6. 8 E

FELIX the Cat Dancing and Tumbling at Marlborough Art Co., 87 Marlborough street. 10 C

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